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FURTHER ACTION AGAINST IMPORTATION TO GERMANY OF FOOD IN NEUTRAL SHIPS

To be Taken by the Allies, According to Statement of Winston Churchill.

DISCUSSES THE NAVY

"Now to be the Object of Warfare Never Before Practiced in Civilization."

Germany Cannot be Allowed to Adopt Piratical System.

London, Feb. 15. — The countries fighting against Germany, Austria and Turkey, thus far have thrown only a third of their strength into the field. To maintain this force and to bring the remaining two-thirds into action will cost $10,000,000,000 during the current year.

This announcement was made in the House of Commons today by David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer, who, with Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, gave the British public perhaps a closer view of the machinery behind the great struggle than had been afforded since the outbreak of war.

Mr. Churchill declared, amid cheering, that Great Britain finally had decided to clamp on every ounce of sea pressure to choke off Germany's food supply in retaliation of the German submarine policy, while Mr. Lloyd-George drew additional cheering when he spoke of loans to countries expected to throw in their lot with the Allies. These countries the chancellor did not name.

Two Dispatches From America.

The announcement of the government's decision with relation to Germany's food supplies came almost coincidentally with the receipt of two dispatches from the United States, one saying that Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, had informed the Washington government that Germany was willing to abandon her submarine policy provided Great Britain ceased interfering with cargoes of food stuffs and the other saying that he again had advised neutral shipping to avoid these waters which Germany had declared would become a dangerous military area three days hence.

Mr. Lloyd-George detailed financial arrangement the Allies decided on at the Paris conference nad put into round figures what heretofore had been guessed, the remarkable increase in the productivity and efficiency of the Russian people by prohibition of the sale of vodka. The productivity and efficiency he placed as high as 50 per cent.

Great Britain, the chancellor said, had resources which would last for five days and France perhaps sufficient for three years.

Mr. Lloyd-George paid tribute to the burden that France is bearing and gave a pledge that the Allies would stand by Belgium financially until the time for the settlement came.

Mr. Churchill disclosed for the first time the total naval losses in the war. These, he said, were upwards of five thousand officers and men, most of them victims of submarines.

Mr. Churchill outlined what Great Britain purposed to do as a counter to the German policy. In view of what he styled "piracy and murder," Mr. Churchill said it was incumbent on Great Britain for the first time to apply the "full force" of her naval power. A formal declaration to this effect, he added, "would be made forthwith."

CHOKE OFF GERMANY'S FOOD

Further Action Against Shipping to Germany Decided Upon by Allies.

London, Feb. 15.—Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, in a statement to the House of Commons today, intimated that further action would be taken by the Allies to prevent the importation of foodstuffs in neutral ships to Germany.

"The task before us is both anxious and grave," said Mr. Churchill. "We now are to be the object of warfare never before practiced by a civilized power. So far we have not attempted to stop the importation of food. We have not prevented neutral ships from trading directly with German ports. We have allowed German exports in neutral ships to pass unchallenged. But the time is near when the enjoyment of these immunities by a state which as a matter of deliberate policy has placed herself outside of international obligations must be reconsidered. A further declaration on part of the Allied governments will be made which will have the effect of applying for the

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SORT OF SENSATION SPRUNG IN SENATE

By Cooper's Action as to Reference of School Board Bill.

CLASHES WITH GILES

Also Deadlocked With Stacy as to Appointment of Member—House Completes Revenue Bill—Details of Sessions.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 15.—Something of a sensation was sprung in the Senate today when Senator Cooper introduced a bill to appoint Cuthbert Martin a member of the New Hanover County School Board and demanded that it be not referred to the committee on education. Chairman Giles, of the education committee, urged that his committee have the bill, saying that he would absent himself from the committee when it passed on it. He said Senator Cooper had caused a breach between them when he criticised Chairman Giles' opposition to the anti-jug law. The bill was put on the calendar without committee reference and is the forerunner of a big fight as between Senator Cooper and Representative Stacy, the latter insisting on the retention of J. O. Carr on the board.

In the passage of words between Senator Cooper and Senator Giles, the latter said that Senator Cooper had nagged him as to his position on the prohibition bill, and the McDowell Senator had resented this impertinence, he said. Senator Cooper retorted that liquor had not been mentioned before the committee. He said Mr. Stacy's bill passed the House Saturday.

President Pro-tem Gardner asked to be relieved of the embarrassment of deciding what reference the Cooper bill should have. This was done, the Senate putting the bill on the calendar.

Senator White, without reference to the merits of the bill, thought the Cooper bill should go through the proper channels. He said he would insist on the House bill, by Stacy, coming over today, going through the proper channels. Senator Snow thought in view of the personal feeling between Senators Giles and Cooper that the Cooper bill should go before another committee or that it be passed by the Senate as the House has passed Mr. Stacy's bill. Senator Gilliam thought it unusual that a senator cannot send his bill to the committee of his selec-

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WAR COSTS ALLIES 10 BILLIONS A YEAR

Great Britain Spending More Than France and Russia.

SO SAYS LLOYD-GEORGE

WASHINGTON, D. C. Library of Congress.

Chancellor of Exchequer Explains to House of Commons Arrangement at Recent Conference in Paris.

London, Feb. 15.—The expenditures of the Allies on the war will be two billion pounds sterling ($10,000,000,000) during the current year, David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer, told the House of Commons this afternoon in an estimate explanatory of the arrangement made at the recent conference between the financce ministers of France and Russia and himself in Paris. Great Britain, he announced, was spending more money than her two Allies.

The present war, Mr. Lloyd-George said, was the most expense in material, men and money that ever had been waged. Great Britain, he continued, could finance the war five years out of the proceeds of her investments abroad. France was able to do so for about two or three years with something to spare. Russia, he said, although prodigiously rich in natural resources, was in a different position.

Mr. Lloyd-George said that it was decided at the conference in Paris not to issue a joint loan. Each ally must bring its resources into the common stock, he continued. The conference dismissed the idea of a joint international loan, which would have frightened every Bourse, he added, and decided that each country should raise the money it needed within its own territories so far as conditions allowed but if help were needed for purchases abroad, those who had means would help to the best of their power. The only joint loan would be with respect to advances made or to be made to the smaller of the allies states.

The chancellor said Russia had increased her productivity from fifty per cent. by suppressing sale of vodka. She had had difficulties in financing her purchases abroad, and the same thing had applied to France.

"I am not sure we realize the strains upon this gallant country," the chancellor of the exchequer continued. "She has had a larger proportion of her men in the field, and the enemy in occupation of the richest part of her territory. Nevertheless, the confidence of the French nation strikes every visitor to Paris. There is to be seen a calm and sincere courage supposed to be incombatible with the temperament of the celt, and one hears the general assurance that the German army as much chance of crushing France as of overrunning Mars."

With regard to Russian purchases the chancellor said it had been decided that the first $250,000,000 for that purpose should be raised in equal amounts on the Paris and London markets.

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RUSSIANS PLAN TO ASSUME DEFENSIVE ON OWN TERRITORY

Sustained Austro-German Attack in the East Features the Situation.

LITTLE CHANGE IN WEST

British Public Centering Interest Just Now in Outcome of German So-Called Blockade of British Isles—War in Brief.

London, Feb. 15.—The sustained Austro-German attack in the East with Petrograd's admission that the Russians plan to assume the defensive on their own territory is an important feature today of the military situation.

The Germans claim progress in Bukowina and unofficial advices from Budapest, even say that the Austrians have swept as far east as Czernowitz, although the latest official communication from Vienna does not so state. However, the Austrians claim to have occupied Nadwerna, in Southeastern Galicia.

There is no noteworthy change in the West. The Germans took about a thousand yards of trenches south of Ypres, but the Allies partially balanced this by capturing about 300 yards between Bethune and LaBassee.

The British public is centering its interest just now in the outcome of the German socalled blockade of British waters, due to begin Thursday, with special reference to its effects on neutral shipping.

The speeches in the House of Commons of David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer, and Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, the former explaining concerted financial plans of the Allies and the latter reviewing the naval situation and promising the utmost endeavors to cut off all German food supplies, temporarily have overshadowed war news.

The Royal Dutch Steamship Company today suspended service to Havre on account of the German threat, and, according to Berlin dispatches, all Dutch shipping companies have decided to suspend service to England after February 18.

The British steamer Wavelet, from Pensacola, struck a mine in the English Channel. The loss of life numbered twelve, and the steamer was beached.

GERMAN OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

Recites Successes of Her Army and Repulses of the Enemy.

Berlin, Feb. 15.—(by wireless)—The war office issued this statement today:

"South of Ypres, near St. Eloy, the Germans took about 900 metres of the enemy's positions. Counter attacks were without success.

"Equally unsuccessful was the enemy's attack in the district southwest of LaBassee. Several dozen of prisoners were taken by the Germans.

"An advanced trench which the Germans lost on February 2nd, near Sudelkopf, was taken back.

"The Germans drove the enemy out of Senzern, in the Lauch valley (Alsace). Rempach was evacuated by the enemy.

"North of Tilsit (East Prussia) the enemy was driven out of Piktupoen and pushed in the direction of Tauroggen. On both sides of the frontier, in the Easter Lake district, engagements are in progress with the retreating enemy. German troops are advancing rapidly everywhere.

"German detachments marched in the Kolno district against the enemy, advancing beyond Lomza.

"In the Vistula district, the Germans gained further ground and occupied Racionz.

"In Poland, on the left of the Vistula, there were no important changes."

GREEK MINISTER LEAVES

Departs From Constantinople Because of Growing Friction.

London, Feb. 15.—A Reuter's dispatch from Athens says:

"Difficulties having arisen in regard to fulfillment of the Porte's promise of satisfaction to Greece for theinsule to the naval attache of the Green legation at Constantinople, Mr. Panas, the Greek minister, felt compelled to leave Constantinople yesterday, leaving the secretary of the legation in charge of the affairs of Greece."

SEES A MENACE IN POWER OF JOHN D.

Absolutely Dominates the "Foundation," Says Walsh.

HIS POWER UNLIMITED

Says the Rockefeller Foundation is Entirely Without the Realm of Government Control and Competes With Government.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 15.—Frank P. Walsh, chairman of the Federal Industrial Relations Commission, which has been investigating great finance foundations, in a statement today declared that John D. Rockefeller, senior, dominates the Rockefeller Foundation which, Mr. Walsh said, can apply the enormous power of the money it controls to almost any purposes it chooses.

"The testimony at the New York hearing,' declared Mr. Walsh, "showed that the trustees of the foundation secured no authority that did not come from him. It showed that the directors of the foundation also were directors of the industries from which the foundation obtained its funds. As an interlocking system it beats anything the railroads and banks ever exhibited.

"The powers it claims and exercises virtually are unlimited, as are its financial resources. They are powers which should challenge the attention of every thoughtful American citizen. Whether such powers can be permitted safely in the hands of any authority less than that of the government is a question which will form an important part of the commission's forthcoming report. I am inclined to believe these powers cannot be exercised under the America theory of government.

"The commission is not through yet with the Rockefeller and other foundations, but this much can be said:

"The Rockefeller Foundation is entirely without the realm of government control.

"I am not surprised that the directors and trustees of the Rockefeller Foundation do not know some of the things brought out at the hearing. They do not know anything about the foundation. They do not see Mr. Rockefeller twice a year.

"Mr. Rockefeller is a very smart man, perhaps the smartest in this country. But he could not tell the commission why he did not use his profits to pay a living wage instead of using them in the distribution of a charity that constituted a power which many Americans have come to look upon as a menace.

"The power of the Foundation's money is being used to compete with the United States government in the investigations of the questions being investigated by the Industrial Relations Commission. The United States government is spending $400,000 in its inquiry. The Rockefeller Foundation, if it will, can spend $5,000,000 a year. Its investigation is being conducted by the author of an industrial act tried in Canada, which was opposed by every labor organization there and which failed signally."

SENATE DECIDES TO PROBE CHARGES OF ACTIVITY ON PART OF "SHIPPING TRUST"

NETHERLANDS NOW JOINS IN PROTEST

Against Declaring War Zone Around British Isles.

AND USE OF HER FLAG

Vigorous Note of Protest Sent From The Hague to London and Berlin at Same Moment—Dutch Said to be "Hit Hard."

The Hague, via London, Feb. 15. — The Netherlands has presented notes of protest at the same moment to Germany and Great Britain, regarding the acts of these governments in respectively declaring a war zone of the waters around the British Isles, and in using neutral flags.

Diplomats here have been awaiting action of this kind, and their expectations were fulfilled tonight when it was announced that the Dutch minister at Berlin had been instructed to hand the note to the German foreign office, the other note being communicated to Great Britain at the same time.

There has been much discussion of dangers to be encountered in the North Sea and Dutch shipping is menaced more than that of any other neutral nation, owing to the large number of Dutch vessels passing through the English Channel on voyages to the Dutch Indies. Dutch shippers are determined not to change their schedules, and the ships will proceed over the usual routes —taking precautions to make their nationality clear.

The full texts of the Dutch protests are not available, but the following are the salient points of the contents of the note communicated to the German foreign office:

First—The government of The Netherlands denies the imputations that it has been partial to Great Britain in commercial affairs, in embargo acts, or otherwise. The Netherlands has pursued a strictly neutral attitude.

Second—As The Netherlands government protested against the British declarations of the North Sea as a war zone, so it now protests against the German declaration of an enormous stretch of water surrounding the British Isles as a theatre of war, which peaceful neutral vessels may not safely enter or cross.

Third—The Netherlands government declares that the possible posting of a neutral flag by an enemy merchantman would not excuse German warships in sinking merchantmen, on sus-

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Last Hope of Passing Ship Purchase Bill at This Session is Now Gone.

DECISION IS UNANIMOUS

Will Inquire Into Alleged Negotiations for Belligerent Ships.

Efforts to Force Cloture Rule in Senate Continued.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Charges and counter charges from Democratic and Republican sources concerning influences for and against the government ship purchase bill, which have smouldered about the Capitol for weeks, were made the subject of a special investigation today by the Senate.

The decision to inquire into alleged lobbying by agents of the "Shipping Trust" against the bill and into intimations of negotiations for options on belligerent ships to sell to the government was unanimous. With the decision departed the last hope of some of the most earnest champions of the shipping measure that the bill could be passed in the Senate by March 4.

Although Democrats of the House in caucus tonight sought to pave the way for passage of the amended shipping measure in the lower branch of Congress within a day two, Senate Republicans held to their determination that the filibuster against it should continue. Even some administration senators were inclined to the view that appropriation measures should be taken up and rushed through before March 4. Should this result, it was intimated, there might be no further effort to force a vote on the ship bill in the upper branch, nor would an extra session be called to consider it at least for several months.

While no definite announcements on the subject of an extra session have been made, the view was submitted by persons close to the President that the ship bill issue would be taken before the country. It would be shown that the House had passed the bill after a desperate effort had been made to break down Republican opposition in the Senate and that responsibility for failure of the measure was due to a Republican filibuster.

The investigation ordered today, administration leaders suggested, might bring out facts which would throw light upon opposition to the bill.

Simmons One of Probers.

The inquiry will be conducted by Senators Walsh, Simmons, Reed, Burton and Weeks. This committee will meet tomorrow to mar kout a plan of procedure. Should there be no extra session of the Congress, the committee would be empowered during a recess, as it is conceded that the proposed inquiry could not be concluded by March 4.

Republican opponents of the ship bill proposed, through aresolution offered by Senator Barton, the portion of the inquiry which concerns intimations that persons or corporations in the United States sought options on belligerent ships with a view to selling them to the government and that these persons or corporations were in some way allied with officials of the government. This resolution, together with another included in that adopted, requesting the Secretary of the Treasury for information on the subject, aroused enlivening debate. Senators Williams and Reed charged they were purposely intended to reflect upon Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Paul M. Warburg, of the Federal Reserve Board.

Another portion of the inquiry resulted from an amendment added to the Burton resolution by the committee on audit and control, directed against an alleged lobby by the "Shipping Trust" and by corporations that might be forced to compete with a government shipping line. It also directed inquiry as to what United States senators are stockholders or bondholders of shipping corporations.

Efforts of administration senators to force a cloture rule continued today, the Democratic majority succeeding in fighting its way through a parliamentary ambuscade and forcing the Republicans to renew their filibuster in order to prevent a rule to limit debate.

Pending before the Senate is Senator Reed's motion to order a vote on the ship purchase bill not later than February 19, with a general cloture substitute by Senator Norris to limit debate to each senator on any bill to three hours an dan amendment by Senator Cummins which would make the rule inoperative against a bill on which senators of any party had attempted to bind senators in caucus.

North Carolinians Active.

The House Democratic caucus went into session tonight with Representative Webb, of North Carolina, in charge of the fighting for the special rule to consider the ship purchase bill and Representative Page, of North Carolina, leading the opposition.

Throughout the day conferences had been held continuously by both sides and the administration leaders made vigorous, but unavailing efforts to win over Representative Kitchin, of North Carolina, leader of the next House.

Late in the day, Secretary Daniels, of the Navy, made a trip to the Capitol. He was closeted with Representative Kitchin for nearly an hour, but when he left the latter reiterated his determination to vote against the bill and to keep aloof from active participation in the fight.

Administration leaders on the House side were declaring that if the ship purchase bill were passed by the House

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GERMANY WOULD RECEDE FROM PLAN TO DESTROY ENEMY MERCHANT SHIPS

If Allies' Restrictions on Shipments of Foodstuffs For German Civil Population Were Removed—Developments in Diplomatic Circles Move Rapidly—Text of British Reply to American Protest Received.

Berlin, Feb. 15. (By Wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—"The German reply to the American note is reported to be firm in tone, though friendly in form," says a statement issued today by the Over-Seas News Agency.

Washington, Feb. 15.—With only three days remaining before the German admiralty proposes to carry into effect its proclamation ordering a submarine campaign on enemy merchant ships, developments in the diplomatic situation moved rapidly today through the medium of the United States government, custodian of the diplomatic interests of the various belligerents.

Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, delivered a note to the United States which was promptly transmitted to Great Britain in which Germany offered to recede from her plan of destroying enemy merchant ships, if restrictions the Allies had placed on shipments of conditional contraband and food stuffs destined to the German civil population were removed. Otherwise, the note announced, Germany proposes to put into effect the original proclamation, adding also the strewing of mines in waters surrounding Great Britain and Ireland.

The Ambassador's communication was sent from Berlin since the recent American note was delivered there and is supplemental to the German foreign office memorandum on the subject of the new war zones.

At the time that the German ambassador conferred with Secretary Bryan and Counsellor Lansing, the complete text of the British reply to the American note of protest on neutral shipping, dated December 26th, was received. It was laid before President Wilson.

Besides giving statistics on neutral commerce and entering a general denial that there had been an unwarranted interference with legitimate shipments, the new note contains a statement from Great Britain that the recent government decree taking over the flour and grain supply in Germany required added precautions on the part of the Allies that conditional contraband might not be permitted to reach the armed forces of the enemy. The full text will not be given out until an agreement for publication is reached with the British foreign office.

As to the Wilhelmina.

Another development bearing directly on the threatened submarine warfare was the dispatching of a telegram by the State Department today to Ambassador Page instructing him to submit to the British foreign office, evidence by the owners of the American steamer Wilhelmina to prove that her cargo consists of food stuffs destined to non-combatants and is not subject to seizure. The suggestion is made that unless Great Britain has sufficient grounds not yet advanced for doing otherwise, the ship be permitted at once to proceed with her cargo to her destination.

From the German point of view, the Wilhelmina constitutes a test case on which revolves the entire question of feeding Germany.

Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, discussed the situation with State Department officials. On all sides, it is admitted here that the developments of the last few days present a most serious situation for American commerce.

The next step by the United States may be a pronounced statement to Great Britain on the subject of conditional contraband was indicated at the State Department today. The American government in its first note argued strongly for unrestricted shipment of conditional contraband destined to non-combatants. The British preliminary reply did not oppose this view, but said an unconditional acceptance

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REPORT THAT GERMAN AMBASSADOR IS TO LEAVE IS DENIED

London, Feb. 15.—An Amsterdam dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company gives the rumor from Berlin that Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador to the United States, has been summoned to Berlin. Countess von Bernstorff, it is added, had engaged passage by a steamer which sailed Saturday to join her husband at Washington, but she cancelled the booking a few hours before the steamer's departure.

Washington, Feb. 15.—The German embassy tonight authorized a denial of the report that the ambassador had been summoned to Berlin, or was contemplating leaving the United States for any purpose. It was said that Countess Bernstorff had made no plans for a visit to America in the near future.

USE THEIR DISCRETION ABOUT LEAVING MEXICO

All Foreign Diplomatic Representatives So Instructed.

Complicated Farther by Carranza's Decree That No Subordinate Military Chief Shall Discuss Diplomatic Questions.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Virtually all foreign diplomatic representatives in Mexico City have been instructed by their governments to use their own discretion about leaving the capital, according to an announcement today by Secretary Bryan.

The British and Italian ambassadors inquired of the State Department during the day as to its advices from Mexico, reflecting the anxiety of their governments over the situation in Mexico City where food is scarce and the water supply cut off. The situation has been complicated further by General Carranza's decree that none of his subordinate military chiefs shall discuss diplomatic questions. This deprives the diplomatic corps at Mexico City of the privilege of dealing with General Obregon or the de facto authorities. The only alternative is a visit to Carranza at Vera Cruz where diplomats are unwilling to go.

Some embassies here understand that diplomats in Mexico City have agreed that if they leave Mexico City they will leave the country entirely.

Secretary Bryan said today he did not know the plans of the Brazilian minister, in charge of American interests. The Brazilian minister has been informed, however, that the American government does not look with favor on Carranza's suggestion that the diplomatic corps go to Vera Cruz.

It is expected the situation will be fully discussed at tomorrow night's cabinet meeting.

A State Department statement issued tonight said: "F. D. Nagel, concerning whom inquiries have been made, has arrived in Monterey and is well.

"A dispatch dated February 13 from Eagle Pass states that reports from Sabinas say Villa troops again have appeared on the outskirts of Montclova and that Carranza troops under command of General Luis Gutierrez have evacuated Montclova falling back to Hermanas without offering resistance. "Piedras Negras is reported quiet."

CAPITAL OF CANADA FEARS AERIAL RAID

Parliament Sits With Windows and Tower Darkened.

Every Precaution Taken, Despite Report That Only Toy Balloons Were the Craft Sighted at Brockville.

Ottawa, Ont., Can., Feb. 15.—Despite a report from Brockville today that Dominion police there believed two toy fire balloons, sent up last night at Morristown, N. Y., had been mistaken for search lights on aeroplanes flying into Canada, every precaution was taken here tonight against an Aerial raid.

The Canadian parliament met with windows darkened, the tower light extinguished and the parliament grounds in darkness.

No lights were shown at the Royal Mint or at Rideau Hall, where the Duchess of Connaught and the Princess Patricia awaited the return of the Duke of Connaught from Western Canada.

In Parliament today Sir Wilfrid Laurier, opposition leader, asked what foundation there was for reports that aeroplanes had entered Canada from the United States last night.

Premier Borden replied that he was called on the telephone last night by the Mayor of Brockville, who told him that three aeroplanes had crossed the St. Lawrence river, and that they had proceeded in the direction of Ottawa.

While Parliament was in session, troops, mobilized to train for service in Europe, were held in readiness to fire on any aircraft that might appear.

Washington, February 15. — The American Red Cross today authorized an emergency appropriation of $2,000 from its contingent fund for the relief of the inhabitants of Manua island, Samoa. Reports say 2,500 natives there are facing starvation, as a result of the recent earthquake and tidal wave which destroyed all food products. The food stuffs will be shipped tomorrow from San Francisco by steamer.

NEARLY 2,000 VISITORS ALREADY IN CHARLOTTE

For Laymen's Missianry Convention of Presbyterians.

Prominent Laymen From All Parts of United States for Convention Which Opens Today—Notable Speakers.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Charlotte, Feb. 15.—Nearly two thousand visitors are in Charlotte tonight for the meeting of the Laymen's Convention of the Presbyterian church of the United States, which will be called to order tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock in the city autoditorium, and will be in session through the 18th. Prominent laymen from all parts of the United States are here, some of them known throughout the Christian world.

Among them are Dr. John R. Mott, Dr. Robert E. Speer, both of New York. Others are Rev. J. Campbell white, of New York; Rev. W. R. Dobyns, D. D., of St. Joseph, Mo.; Mr. William T. Ellis, of Swarthmore, Pa.; Rev. J. L. Stuart, of Nanking, China. "Facing the Situation" will be the general theme of the convention, which will devote itself to Christian Missions in all their phases. It is expected that one of the most important phases will be devoted to what effect the world war now raging will have on mission work of the future.

SORT OF SENSATION SPRUNG IN SENATE

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tion, and he moved that the bill be placed on the calendar. This was done.

Senator Cooper would name Cuthbert Martin as a member of the New Hanover School Board and Representative Stacy would reappoint J. O. Carr. Senator Cooper intimated that he had been willing to let the board of education wrestle with this local fight, but that Mr. Stacy had rushed his bill through the House. He said he was willing for the question to be decided outside of the Senate.

Mr. Stacy calls attention to the fact that his bill appointing Carr was held for days in committee and two dates set for Senator Cooper to come before the committee and present his side of the affair.

Following final approval of three remaining sections of the revenue bill, the House this afternoon formally passed the bill on second roll call reading and it took its place on the calendar for final reading tomorrow, and Speaker Wooten and Chairman Doughton, in charge of the bill for the joint finance committee, agreed this afternoon that the bill can go immediately to the Senate tomorrow afternoon without any engrossment, there being so few changes in the bill in its passage through the House that engrossment can be dispense dwith.

The House in committee of the whole adopted the Mintz amendment to section 57 of the revenue bill, changing the special tax on newspaper circulation contests from $50 for weeklies and $150 for dailies to $10 for weeklies and $25 for dailies, and voted down an amendment by Williams, of Cabarrus, designed to allow counties to tax illuminating oil companies in addition to the State inspection tax.

Other amendments gave the State Treasurer $2,500 for enforcing collections of taxes and $6,000 instead of $2,500 to the State auditor for enforcing the machinery act.

The vote on passage of the revenue bill was unanimous except that Bryan, of Wilkes, Republican, asked to be excused from voting on the ground that there were features of the bill that he could not endorse.

Twenty-six new bills were introduced in the House, all purely local or unimportant.

The Currie dog tax bill, allowing county commissioners of any county to levy in their discretion a tax of $1 to $2 on dogs for school or other purpose, was passed and sent to the Senate.

There were 18 new bills in the Senate, including one by Thompson, of Onslow, to provide for a fish commissioner and an oyster commissioner to safeguard the deep sea fisheries in North Carolina.

Tax Assessment.

The final draft of the tax assessment machinery section of the machinery bill was adopted by the joint finance committee this evening. It provides for the appointment by the State Tax Commission of county assessors, one for each county for 1915 only, when the quadrenial assessment is made on real estate, and the county commissioners shall appoint one list taker and assessor for each township and the county board of equilization shall consist of the county commissioners, the township list takers and the county assessors.

This system means the dropping of two tax listers for each township who received about $60 each for their work in quadrenial assessment years and means a saving of thousands of dollars. The machinery bill is very nearly completed and will be introduced in the House within the next day or two.

Australian Ballot Bill.

The House committee on elections this afternoon considered the Australian ballot bill by Roberts, of Buncombe, and provided for a special committee to consider the bill in detail, it being very lengthy, and then report back with recommendations. Representatives Grier, of Iredell, and Witherspoon, of Cherokee, are members of the subcommittee.

Insurance Bill Today.

The Seawell bill for State regulation of insurance rates, which is under favorable report from the House insurance committee, is to come up as a special order in the House Tuesday morning and will be under the special protection of Representatives Page and Seawell, who were members of the legislative investigating committee from the 1913 Legislature and that recommended the passage of a bill containing the provisions the Seawell bill embodies. There is generally regarded to be no doubt that the bill will pass the House in spite of the probability that the leading insurance companies of the country will withdraw from the State in consequence of its enactment. However, there is every indication that the bill will be blocked in the Senate where the State rate making section will probably be stricken out and a substitute inserted along teh line of the Senator Weaver bill to give the State Department of Insurance the right to hear complaints and declare any rate to be exorbitant but not the power to actually raise or lower rates. This policy is said by its advocates to be working well in procuring rate modifications by rating bureaus in a number of the leading states of the Union.

SENATE PROCEEDINGS.

The Senate was convened at noon by President Pro Tem Gardner.

New bill were introduced as follows:

Cooper—Appoint Cuthbert Martin a member of the county board of education in New Hanover county to succeed J. O. Carr.

Cooper—Amend the charter of Wilmington.

Stephens—Amend the public health law.

McLeod—Allow parties to a contract to agree on a rate not exceeding 8 per cent interest.

McRae—Relative to depositions in civil actions.

Herbert—Relative to the issuance of bonds for the Hiawassee Railroad.

Ward—Facilitate jury trials.

Giles—Relative to the construction of road across the Blue Ridge in McDowell county.

Thompson, of Onslow—Establish an oyster and fish commission and protect the fish industry of the State.

Ward—Amend the law as to Craven county courts.

Hobgood—For the dissolution of bankrupt corporations.

It was stated by Senator Majette that the bill for voluntary land segregation between the races as advocated by the State Farmers' Union would be introduced Tuesday.

Cooper Stirs a Breeze.

When Senator Cooper offered his bill to appoint Cuthbert Martin a member of the New Hanover school board he requested that the bill be referred to some committee other than that on education because of bad feeling between Senator Cooper and Senator Giles. Senator Giles explained that Senator Cooper had nagged him about his attitude as to the anti-jug law in a way that he had regarded as an impertinence, but that when Senator Cooper's bill was considered by his committee he would absent himself from the committee meeting. Being a purely educational bill, he considered that it should go to the committee on education.

It was explained that Representative Stacy had passed a bill in the House Saturday appointing J. O. Carr to succeed himself and now it was a question as to whether the Senate would pass the House bill or the Cooper bill, as there seemed no chance for the representative and the senator to get together.

President Pro tem Gardner asked the Senate to excuse him from action as to the reference of the bill and this was done, a motion being adopted to place the Cooper bill on the calendar. Indications are that when it comes up the Senate will observe senatorial courtesy and pass the Cooper bill and then the House and the Senate having failed to agree there will be no appointment of a member of the New Hanover board and the State Board of Education will be left to act, it being practically certain that in that event Mr. Carr will be named to succeed himself.

Senator Cooper explained to the Senate that he was willing to let the board of education wrestle with the matter as a local fight, but that Mr. Stacy had rushed his bill appointing Mr. Carr through the House. He was willing, he said, for the question to be decided outside the Senate.

Passed Third Reading.

Bills passed final reading as follows:

Extend the time for the organization of the North State Railroad Co.

Establish and regulate primaries in Newbern.

Validate probates, deeds and certain other conveyances.

The Senate adjourned to Tuesday morning at 10:30.

HOUSE PROCEEDINGS

The House was convened at 12 o'clock by Speaker Wooten.

New bills were introduced as follows:

Freeman, of Richmond—Place certain women on the pension roll.

railroads to maintain bridges at cross-

Freeman, of Richmond—Require the

ings.

Tucker—Amend the health law of the State.

Ebbs—Amend the law as to the Martin county school board and appoint two members of the board.

Hall—Amend the Revisal relative to building and loan associations.

Etheridge—For the relief of the veterans in the Soldiers' Home.

Nettles and Roberts—Prevent fraudulent advertising in North Carolina.

Nettles and Roberts—Regulate the profession of tonsorialists in North Carolina.

Kittrell—Amend the law as to public drunkenness.

Hewett—Amend the law as to working the roads in Brunswick county.

Stacy—Amend the charter of the city of Wilmington.

Nettles and Roberts—Relative to the Children's Home in Asheville.

Passed Final Reading.

Bills passed third reading as follows:

Validate an election and tax levy in Cumberland county.

Second Reading for Revenue Bill.

The House went into committee of the whole on revenue bill to complete consideration by sections. The Mintz amendment for section 57 was adopted that changes the tax proposed for newspaper circulation contests from $50 for weeklies to $10 and from $150 for dailies to $25. This amendment was adopted.

Mr. Williams, of Cabarrus, minority leader, undertook to have section 58 as to the tax on oils in connection with the oil inspection system changed so that there could be some tax on the oil companies composed by the counties on the ground that the heavy oil wagons greatly wear the public roads and they should be subject to tax on this score at least. Representative Doughton, in charge of the bill said that there was a danger that if this privilege for county taxation were allowed it would bring about resistance to the whole scheme of tax and inspection and might cost the loss of the whole source of revenue. There was $47,000 from this source to the State last year. The Williams amendment was not adopted.

The bill was amended under section 60 so that the State Treasurer shall have a fund of $2,500 for use in enforcing collection of taxes and the State Auditor a fund of $6,000 for enforcing the machinery act. He has heretofore had only $2,500. This was opposed by Williams, of Cabarrus, on the ground that the $6,000 was excessive, but the House thought otherwise, Mr. Doughton and others expressing the view that active effort and attention to the enforcement of the machinery and revenue acts would easily increase the revenue $10,000 to $50,000.

The committee of the whole was the revenue bill on second reading, the roll call showing unanimous "aye" vote until Representative Bryan, of Wilkes, of Wilkes, at the finish asked that the record of his "aye" vote be stricken out and he be recorded as voting as there were features he could not endorse.

Passed Third Reading

The House passed bills on final reading as follows:

Regulate compensation of Duplin county commissioners.

Allow reasonable compensation for Onslow financial agents.

Place New Hanover officers on salaries.

Amend the law as to fees for the Duplin county jailor.

Prescribe the times for holding courts in New Hanover county.

Relative to the recorder's court in New Hanover county.

Amend the law as to the pay of solicitors in the Nineteenth district.

Dog Tax Bill.

The Currie dog tax bill ,allowing commissioners of any county to levy a tax from one to two dollars each on dogs in the county for special or general purpose, was laid before the House under favorable report from the finance committee and the committee on propositions and grievances. The representatives of a large number of counties asked that their counties be exempted before Mr. Currie explained that each county would control the matter through the commissioners. Representatives Mauney said that his opponent had made the campaign on the issue of a dog tax and he was pledged to support it. He insisted that if a dog is not worth adollar to its owner it ought to be killed. He said the application of the law in the counties will raise a lot of revenue for the schools and help the sheep industry. Representative Mauney said that his others joined in the endorsement of the bill. Mr. Hutchinson said Mecklenburg county objects to the bill only on the ground that the tax proposed is too small. Mr. Page said Moore is raising $2,000 and Mr. Brown that Rowan is raising $2,500 from dog tax now and everybody is satisfied. The bill passed by a large majority and is ordered sent to the Senate.

The House took a recess to 10:30 tomorrow.

SENATE TO PROBE "SHIPPING TRUST"

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and sent to the Senate, an extra session of Congress could be avoided. There was considerable discussion of a report that it was planned to abandon the appropriation bills pending in the Senate regardless of whether the ship bill passes.

During the day, Paul M. Warburg, whose name had been brought into Senate debates by senators who questioned whether Kuhn, Loeb & Co., of which Mr. Warburg formerly was a member, was no interested in selling German ships to the government, made a statement disclaiming he ever had discussed the ship purchase bill with any one.

House Democrats Caucus.

Delayed by a late session of the House, the Democratic caucus on the ship bill did not convene until after 9 o'clock. Then an hour and a half was lost in debate over procedure. Various proposals were offered, but finally, at Speaker Clark's suggestion, all were withdrawn and the bill was read for amendment under the regular House five-minute speech rule.

The speaker made a speech supporting the measure, but said he did not favor any proposition that would "ram the bill down the throat of the caucus."

Speaker Clark pleaded with his colleagues to stand by the leaders, declaring the party had wandered in the wilderness for 16 years and that the only way to make progress was to uphold the standard bearer, in this particular issue, the President of the United States.

Representative Fitzgerald, of New York, vigorously opposed the bill. He said he was against any form of government ownership and insisted that the shipping project was a dangerous experiment.

KUHN, LOEB & CO., STATEMENT.

Make Flat and Sweeping Denial of Allegations Made.

New York, Feb. 15.—Kuhn, Loeb & Company, today issued this statement:

"It had not been our intention to take any notice of the statements made in connection with the shipping bill now before Congress, but the mention of our name has become so persistent that we deem it proper to state specifically what is probably already generally known.

"Paul M. Warburg retired from our firm when he became a member of the Federal Reserve Board and has since then had absolutely no direct or indirect connection with it. His brother, Max M. Warburg, who is a resident of Hamburg, Germany, and who is a member of the board of directors of the Hamburg-American Line, has never had any direct or indirect interest in our firm.

"We are not the bankers of the Hamburg-American Line, have never issued any securities for account of that company or done any business for it. We have no direct or indirect interest what ever in the passage of the shipping bill.

"We have never considered nor has it ever been proposed to us to consider acting as intermediaries in the sale to the United States government or to others of ships now interned in this country."

NETHERLANDS NOW JOINS IN PROTEST

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picion, without arrest or search. Such an act would be in direct contravention of international law.

In case a Dutch ship were thus attacked and sunk, The Netherlands would hold Germany responsible.

In its note to Great Britain, The Netherlands government says that while the use of a neutral flag by a belligerent merchantman to escape an enemy war vessel, has been tolerated in individual cases, if it were practiced on a large scale and by the direct sanction of a belligerent government, it would certainly be an abuse of a neutral flag.

"The fact that the merchant shipping act of Great Britain contains practical permission for merchant ships of other nations to make such use of the flag in case of imminent danger, for the purpose of escape," says the note, "does not justify the use of flags of other nations which have no such law, and have given no ship permission.

"The Netherlands government calls attention to the grave danger which would be imposed upon all its shipping by general instructions to British merchantmen to make use of the Dutch flag."

FLOODS IN ROME

Rome, Feb. 15.—The great staircase of 300 steps in Rome leading from the Trastevere station to the Monteverde section, a hilly quarter of the city, is at this hour threatening to collapse because of undermining by the waters.

—Jim McIntyre, colored, was arrested early this morning by Constable Jno. H. Davis, on a warrant charging him with retailing. The negro will be given a hearing before Justice Harriss today at noon.

FURTHER ACTION ON GERMAN FOOD IMPORTS IN NEUTRAL SHIPS

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first time the full force of naval pressure on the enemy.

"It must not be supposed that because the attack is extraordinarily good a reply cannot be made. Losses no doubt will be incurred but I believe no vital injury can be done. If merchant skippers act in the spirit of the captain of the Laertes and observe certain precautions, losses will be confined within manageable limits, even at the outset, when the enemy naturally will make his maximum efforts. Our reply will perhaps be not ineffective.

"Germany cannot be allowed to adopt a system of open piracy and murder. There is good reason for believing that the economic pressure of the navy is beginning to be felt in Germany."

During the last three months, he said, there has been 3,600 sailings and 4,465 arrivals at ports of the United Kingdom. Only nineteen of these vessels had been sunk by Germany and of these only four were destroyed by above-the-water craft. The navy had chartered one-fifth of the British mercantile marine for the purpose of supplying food, fuel and ammunition to the fleet, and the troops in the field.

Mr. Churchill gave an interesting review of the naval situation. He said efficiency was the keynote of the admiralty's programme and that at the outbreak of war, the supplies of ammunition, men and oil wefe complete. Every ship in the navy fit for service as well as new ships being built for foreign governments and armed merchant men has been fully manned.

In fact, the German army was no man fit for an attempted war on a gigantic scale than was the British fleet for national defense, he said. "After six months of war, with new dangers and difficulties coming into view, we have every right to be content with the results of our labors in making provisions for the navy.

"Only two small cruisers and two armed merchantmen remain of all the German preparations to attack our trade routes, and these are in hiding."

During the six months of the war, Mr. Churchill said Great Britain's total losses at sea, including all ships except trawlers, amounted to only 63.

Referring to Vice Admiral Jellico's command of the sea, "as silent, unsleeping and as unchallenged," Mr. Churchill said the admiralty had moved men at home and abroad, including Belgian and French troops and wounded, to the number of 1,000,000 without an accident or the loss of a life.

British Navy Sound.

Mr. Churchill said the recent action in the North Sea had shown that "the navy is sound as a bell, all through."

The new 15-inch gun of the navy, he said, was equal in quality to the 16.5 inch gun and vastly more powerful and destructive.

Mr. Churchill placed the navy's losses during the war at 5,500 officers and men, most of them were killed by submarines. The Germans, he said, had lost a like number, chiefly by gun fire. The British had taken prisoners, 83 German naval officers and 954 men. There were no British naval prisoners of war.

Referring to the suggestion which has been made that a court martial should be held whenever a ship was lost, Mr. Churchill declined to adopt such a course. He said the theories of naval warfare had been changed completely, and he felt the suggested court martials might cause commanders to play for safety and avoid the responsibility of positive actions. In view of existing conditions, he thought the British losses had been comparatively few.

A. Bonar-Law, opposition leader, who followed Mr. Churchill, spoke of the "inevitable irritation" 'to the neutral powers in connection with their shipping. He thought the strictest regard should be paid to the interests and susceptibilities of neutrals and he said their rights must be respected.

Mr. Law thought it probable the pressure of British sea power ultimately would compel the German Emperor to risk his navy in a sea fight.

Admiral Lord Charles Beresford contended the best way to end the war would be for all the Allies to send a joint note to Germany declaring that he had decided to stop all supplies that could be of benefit to her.

"I don't think there would be any trouble," Lord Charles added, "with the great country of the United States or wit hthe other neutral powers."

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Statements of German Ambassador and Owners of Wilhelmina.

Washington, Feb. 15. — Evidence submitted by the steamer Wilhelmina's owners to prove the vessel carries foodstuffs for non-combatants and is not subject to seizure, was forwarded by the State Department today to Ambassador Page for presentation to the London foreign office. Mr. Page was instructed to suggest that unless Great Britain has sufficient grounds not yet advanced for doing otherwise, the ship at once be permitted to proceed with her cargo to her destination.

The proposal of the German ambassador that submarine attacks upon British merchantmen would be abandoned, if Great Britain ceased interfering with food supplies for German civilians also was transmitted to Ambassador Page for submission to the foreign office.

Berlin, February 15. — The Overseas agency today announced that the steamship Perm, of a large Danish company, had sailed from a Danish port with the Danish flag hoisted on both sides of her bow The word "Denmark" also was painted on her sides in huge letters. Other Danish vessels will follow her example.

Various Forms Of Headache

"It is necessary in order to treat headaches properly to understand the causes which produce the affection" says Dr. J. W. Ray of Blockton, Ala. Continuing, he says: "Physicians cannot even begin the treatment of a disease without knowing what causes give rise to it, and we must remember that headache is to be treated according to the same rule. We must not only be particular to give a remedy intended to counteract the cause which produces the headaches, but we must also give a remedy to relieve the pain until the cause of trouble has been removed. To answer this purpose Anti-kamnia Tablets will be found a most convenient and satisfactory remedy. One tablet every one to three hours gives comfort and rest in the most severe cases of headache, neuralgia and particularly the headaches of women." When we have patient subject to regular attacks of sick headache, we should caution him to keep his bowels regular, for which nothing is better than "Actolds," and when he feels the least sign of an oncoming attack, he should take two A-K Tablets. Such patients should always be instructed to carry a few Anti-kamnia Tablets, so as to have them ready for instant use. These tablets are prompt in action, and can be depended on to produce relief in a very few minutes. Ask for A-K Tablets.

Anti-kamnia Tablets can be obtained at all druggists.

GERMANY OFFERS TO REBEDE ON CONDITION

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could not be given on account of Germany's alleged inhuman practices.

German Ambassador's Note.

Following is the text of the German ambassador's note:

"According to absolutely reliable information British merchant ships intend to offer armed resistance to German men of war in the area declared as war zones by the German admiralty.

"Some of these ships already were armed with British naval guns. Now all the others are speedily being equipped in a similar way. Merchant ships have been instructed to sail in groups and to ram German submarines while the examination is proceeding or should the submarines lay alongside to throw bombs upon them or else to attempt to overpower the examining party coming on board.

"A very high premium has been ordered for the destruction of the first German submarine by a British merchant vessel. Therefore British merchant ships can not any more be considered as undefended so that they may be attacked by German war vessels, without warning or search. The British admitted that instructions have been given to misuse neutral flags. It is almost certain that British merchant vessels by all means will try to conceal their identity. Thereby it also has become almost impossible to ascertain the identity of neutral ships, unless they sail in daylight under convoy, as all measure suggested by neutrals, for instance painting the ships in the national colors, may be promptly imitated by British ships. The attacks to be expected by masked British merchant vessels make a search impossible, as the examining party and the submarines themselves would thereby be exposed to destruction.

"Under the circumstances, the safety of neutral shipping in the war zone around the British isles is seriously threatened. There also is an increased danger resulting from mines as these will be laid in the war zone to a great extent. Accordingly, neutral ships are most urgently warned against entering that area, while the course around Scotland will be safe.

"Germany has been compelled to resort to this kind of warfare by the murderous ways of British naval warfare which aims at the destruction of legitimate neutral trade and at starvation of the German people. Germany will be obliged to adhere to these announced principles till England submits to the recognized rules of warfare, established by the declarations of Paris and London or till she is compelled to do so by the neutral powers."

SURROUND BRITAIN WITH MINES.

Part of the Submarine Warfare Announced by Germany.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Germany's intention of sowing mines in the waters around the British Isles as a part of her submarine warfare against belligerent merchant ships was announced in the note delivered to the State Department today by Count Von Bernstorff.

TRINITY TAKES GAME FROM WAKE FOREST

By Mighty Rally in Last Half, the Methodists Turn Tide.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Durham, N. C., Feb. 15.—With the score standing 22 to 11 against her at the end of the first half, Trinity rallied and took the score from the strong Wake Forest team here tonight 28 to 27. The game tonight was by far the most exciting game of the season. At the end of the first half and for a considerable portion of the last half it loked as though there were no hope for Trinity, but the men pulled together until the score was tied at the last minutes of the game. A foul goal from Siler's trusty hand put Trinity ahead. There still remained a few more minutes of play, during with the large body of spectators were held in intense excitement until the whistle blew, and the Trinity players were carried off the floor on their fellow studnts shoulders. Featuring tonight, for Trinity was the work of Siler, Wooten and Anderson, the latter scoring a particularly spectacular shot. Thorne also was at his best tonight. Although hard fought, the game was clean throughout ,and hard work and fair play brought victory to the Trinity players. Holdin and Hall scored the major number of points for the Baptists.

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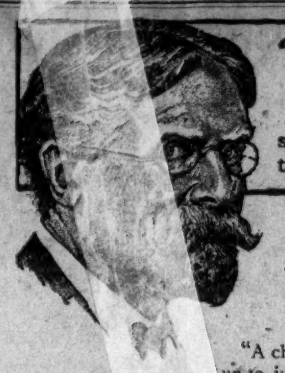

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SOUTHPORT SUFFERS A FIRE LOSS OF $15,000

Business Houses Destroyed by Early Morning Blaze

Some Half a Dozen Citizens Lose Property in Fire of Unknown Origin, Started in Jack Robbins' Block—Features.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Southport, N. C., Feb. 15.—Shortly after 5 o'clock this morning, the dreaded cry of "fire" startled this community, and soon hundreds of citizens were rushing from their homes to see what and how great was to be this second fire visitation within four months, for the cry came from the center of business.

The fire had been located in the Jack Robbins brick block, the finest business block in the city, smoke came pouring out of the second story windows, followed by flames. A rush was made to carry out the contents of offices and stores of the building, the fire being at first in the wall between the office of W. H. Pyke, insurance and real estate, and the barber shop of Jesse Weeks, but there being no fire apparatus or water, except the bucket brigade, the fire quickly spread throughout the second floor, where were the offices of H. P. O'Hagan, civil engineer; Jack Robbins, the owner of the building, and Dr. H. L. Keith, dentist. Nothing could be done to save anything on the floor, though Dr. Keith rushed to his offices to save papers and municipal books, and those of the Electric Light Co., Dr. Keith being city treasurer and having the affairs of the light company in charge.

Smoke filled the building and Dr. Keith was nearly overcome, being assisted from the place by Willie Davis, and being unable to save a thing. Fire dropped from above to the floors below, the contents of the first floors being hurried out into the streets. On this floor were the Weeks barber shop, the offices of W. H. Pyke, and those once occupied by the Bank of Brunswick, most of the contents being saved from the fire, though being damaged by handling and exposure.

On the corner, next to the Robbins building, was a frame building of two stories, occupied by the Perkins Bakery, one of the best equipped bakeries in the State. The building was owned by Mr. Ben Drew, of Orlando, Fla. The flames soon crept into this building and it was soon a roaring mass of flames.

While these buildings were burning, crowds were working to save adjoining buildings, and even those across the streets, north and west.

There were active efforts by C. H. Ruark & Company, opposite, men being stationed on the roof with water buckets, the awning in front was torn down and hot spots on the front were drenched with water. The effects of the heat at this distance of over 100 feet, is to be seen in the crocked plate glass windows.

At the home of Frank Williams, to the west, a fight was made to prevent the fire taking hold. Two immense live oak trees offered great aid. Even then the front of the house at times smoked from the intense heat.

A bucket brigade on the roof of the Watson Pharmacy Company's fought back the flames, and prevented the extension of the fire, though the contents of the drug store, Watson's, were carried out away from danger. Also some of the movables from the Bank of Southport, and the law books and papers in the offices of Cranmer and Davis.

Further east sparks threatened the frame buildings of the home of W. C. O'Quinn, the offices of C. Ed Taylor, E. B. Stevens and C. L. Stevens, and the postoffice, the contents from these being carried to places that looked safer.

Towards the south the frame building, known as the Odd Fellows, was in part danger, but the bucket brigade held it safe.

Only estimate can be made of the losses, these being: The Robbins building, $8,000; Drew building, $2,500; Perkins Bakery, $500, this being the oven, the contents of the building being removed, and damaged, loss not determinable; the Watson Pharmacy, $2,000; H. P. O'Hagan, $600; Dr. Keith, $1,200; while there were losses, not estimated in figures, by those who had their property moved out.

The only insurance that is known; is $500, by Dr. Keith, and $300 by W. H. Pyke.

A stirring part of this fire was the action taken by those at Fort Caswell. Word being sent there of the serious situation here, the Gen. G. W. Getty was ordered to proceed at full speed, and the men of the entire post were brought over, Col. Bennett in charge. The fort's engine was brought over and hose run from the river to the fire and helped in preventing any further spread. The fort's chemical engine was also brought across, and run up to the front of the fire by the men from the fort. The arrival of these fire fighters relieved the fears of many who looked for a spread of the fire into other buildings. This action by Col. Bennett was the talk about town, receiving most appreciative praise.

The soldiers were also of important service in assisting in helping the return of goods to those who took them out in fear of being burned, they taking hold and fairly rushing back household and office property, thus being of material help when such aid was most useful.

The loss of municipal books and accounts is most unfortunate, also those of the light company. There are no plans as yet, made by those burned out for restoring the buildings. The occupants are looking about for new quarters.

There is nothing known as to the fire's origin.

SECRET SERVICE MAN IS BUSY AROUND FAYETTEVILLE

Three Negroes Sent Up to Federal Court for Illicit Distilling.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 15.—Henry Clay Williams, Sarah Williams and Henry Williams, negroes, were sent up to the United States district court on charges of distilling by United States Commissioner J. C. Gibbs, after a hearing here today. Henry Clay submitted to the charge, while plan Henry and Sarah pleaded not guilty, but were bound over on a charge of aiding and abetting. A special agent of the secret service has been working around here for some time and this is said to be the forerunner of a number of similar cases to be brought out later.

WAYNE COUNTY NEGRO FARMER HANGS HIMSELF

Body Found at Rope's End in Buggy Shed Yesterday

Mrs. Margaret Ireland Giddens, of Goldsboro, Passes Away—Mr. W. B. Dukes, Confederate Veteran, Fatally Stricken.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Feb. 15.—In Stoney Creek township, "General" Best, a well-to-do negro farmer of this section, owning his own farm, hung himself in his buggy shed at an early hour, before day, this morning, his dead body being discovered by members of his family, when they arose to go about their daily work. Ill health is assigned as the cause of his self-destruction.

Mr. W. B. Dukes, who wore the Confederate cross of honor, and who had been paralytic for some years, suffered a fatal stroke of his malady yesterday afternoon, at his home on Mulberry street, opposite the postoffice, death following quickly.

The death of Mrs. Margaret Ireland Giddens, relict of the late Mr. P. D. Giddens, of this city, occurred at her home on William street, South, this morning at 4:20 o'clock, aged 73 years.

Mrs. Giddens was the daughter of the late Mr. Samuel R. Ireland, of Sampson county.

Eight children survive her: Mrs. R. E. Weaver, of Greensboro; Mrs. J. Wayland jones and L. D. Giddens, of Wilson; Mrs. M. L. Smoot and Mrs. W. D. Farrior, of Fayetteville; Mr. J. Frank Giddens, of Morehead City; Miss Mary Emma Giddens and Mr. Ross I. Giddens, of this city. She is survived also by 11 grandchildren, two brothers, Mr. H. R. Ireland, of Winston-Salem, and Mr. J. D. Ireland, of Faison, and two sisters, Mrs. J. C. Pass and Miss Octavia Josephine Ireland, of Faison.

BRITAIN PLEASED WITH SECRETARY McADOO'S ACTION.

In Rescinding Order for Keeping Secret Manifests of Ships.

London, Feb. 15.—Announcement that Secretary McAdoo had rescinded the regulations which compelled American customs collectors to keep ships' manifests secret for 30 days, has created a favorable impression among British officials. The foreign office has insistently urged that secret manifests were the basis of much friction resulting in the detention and search of ships carrying American cargoes.

Prominent officials expressed tonight the belief the inspection of American manifests by British consuls in the ships sailed would make detention far less frequent. Furthermore there is every evidence that the British official are hastening the inspection of cargoes, extra customs officials having been detailed for this work.

Secretary McAdoo's order referred to in the foregoing dispatch was issued last week. The Secretary announced that the cause for the adoption of the regulations no longer existed.

PENDER COUNTY NOTES

"Mr. Bob" Greatly Pleases Burgaw Audience—Little Fertilizer This Year.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Burgaw, N. C., Feb. 15.—The comedy "Mr. Bob" was given at the school auditorium Friday evening, and was greeted by a packed house. The play was well rendered and the large audience attested its appreciation by frequent applause, which was well merited. The cast of characters was well selected, as each one seemed well adapted to the part taken. It is a laugh from start to finish, and any one who does not enjoy a hearty laugh would do well to stay away when "Mr. Bob" is given.

The drawing for the bale of cotton to be given away by W. D. Croom & Bro. took place Saturday afternon, Mr. Joe E. Rivenbark, the town marshal, being the lucky holder of the winning number.

It is evident that there will not be anything like the amount of fertilizers sold here this season that has disposed of last year.

TOUCHARD STAR PERFORMER IN INDOOR TENNIS MEET.

Beats All Comers in Fourth Round of Championship Singles.

New York, Feb. 15.—G. F. Touchard, playing through holder of the National Indoor Tennis championship singles title was star performer totday in the singles of the National Indoor Tournament here today. In the fourth round he beat J. M. Steinacher 6-1, 6-4. Karl Behr defaulted in the singles to E. H. Whitney.

The most important matches in the doubles were: First round, King Smith and A. S. Cragin, regimental champions, beat W. C. Grant, national champion, and E. H. Whitney; Karl Behr and T. R. Pell beat C. Chambers and B. H. Dwight; Dr. W. Rosenbaum and A. M. Lovibond beat V. C. Arguimbau and P. C. Love, the Australian-English pair; Count Otto Salm and F. C. Zehrmann, Austrian-German pair, beat F. Cobb and G. A. Walker, Jr.

JUDGE BOYD HAS NO IDEA OF RETIRING THOUGH 70

Negro Driver Killed by Shifting Train at Greensboro.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 15.—Judge James E. Boyd, of the Federal court, who was 70 years old yesterday and entitled to retire, will not do so for many moons yet to come, according to the opinion of his friends. The judge is in the best of health and apparently much younger than the records make him.

John Walker, negro driver, was killed by a shifting train of cars at Davie street crossing late this afternoon while hauling scenery of the "Beauty Shop" which appeared here tonight. His body was cut in two and death was instantaneous.

Berlin, Feb. 15. via Wireless to Sayville, N. Y.—The Over Seas News Agency quotes a Budapest dispatch in the Berliner Tageblatt as saying that Austro-Hungarian forces have entered Czernowitz, the capital of Bukowina. The Russians are said to have been driven across the Prath river and to have retreated towards Nowozelica, on the Russian border.

Pittsburg, Feb. 15.—Directors of the Pittsburg Coal Company today authorized the sale of 11,530 acres of coal lands, including improvements to the Monongahela Consolidated Coal & Coke Company for approximately $9,343,333. The transfer and payment, it was stated, would be completed before July 1.

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THEATRICAL

Gee but wasn't Billie Ritchie great yesterday! The house just wouldn't hold 'em, so great was the number who just had to take the risk of bodily injury and see that great three-reel spectacle, "After Her Millions." And wonderful to relate, no harm came to a single one of the thousands.

Today Billie's great side partner, Charlie Chaplin, who with Billie claims to be the greatest living comedian. You've seen him playing with Mabel Normand before, and in this great two-reel special feature release he simply kills the whole house. It is two full reels with Charlie right in the middle of every scene, and you'll just about die at his foolish antics. This is the regular feature two-reel Keystone which comes every other week—you remember the first one—"Dough and Dynamite" in which Charlie was the whole cheese. Well this one is just a little bigger and better, if such a thing is possible, and remember, there's two full reels of him.

Another mammoth two-reel feature on today's bill is that great two-reel Victor drama, "Cards Never Lie," featuring Rosemary Theby, Harry Myers and Brinsley Shaw in the leading roles. It is a stirring story of a Gypsy girl's faithful love for a world rover, who dissipates his fortune and abandons the title he has inherited in order to make easier his return to her in the final ending. It is a human interest story that will touch the heart of everyone, and in the capable hands named above, is guaranteed to be among the real features of the week.

Then comes Murdock McQuarrie, in a "Big U" feature, "The Useless One." It is another one of those human interest dramatic features in which Murdock MacQuarrie excells all, and you should not miss it.

At the Grand.

The theatre that does the big things is certainly hitting the big places these days. Yesterday the week was opened in most glorious manner with a show of unexcelled type and today another corker is going to follow. Five more big reels of pictures today.

Leading the superb quintette of movies will be a special Vitagraph two-reeler, "A Daughter of Israel," in which appear as stars Norma Talmadge and Van Dyke Brooks. It is the story of a Russian refugee, and in this part, of "Olga," Miss Talmadge does a powerful piece of acting. It is a strong story told in graphic way, and it will register a big hit.

Essanay is also offering something big today in "By a Strange Road," being the story of a swindler who marries a young society girl and what happens.

"The Daughter He Brought Home" is a Biograph for today and it is one of the sweetest and most striking stories ever screened, with Irene Howley playing the role of girl and W. J. Butler the part of the father.

Fun is also going to wax fast and furious today, as the prince of all comedies will be offered in "The Siege of Liege." However, besides being numerous it is a thriller, as it depicts the adventures of a war correspondent as he sails over battlefield in an airship. This film is something unusual and is really a great, magnificent spectacle. So don't miss it.

Tomorrow the regular midweek double show, headed by "The Million Dollar Mystery" rolls around at the New Grand and, remember, that Thursday is going to be Alice Joynes day at this handsome theatre.

West Point, N. Y., Feb. 15.—West Point and Annapolis football representatives will meet in New York tomorrow to arrange final details concerning this year's football game between the two service schools which will be played at the Polo Grounds, New York, November 27. Under the arrangement entered into last fall the games to be played in 1915 and 1917 will be in New York.

SPORTS

EIGHTEEN PLAYERS SIGNED FOR ROCKY MOUNT TEAM

Manager Ryan Busy After a Few More —Will Arrive March 1.

(Special Star Correspondents.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 15.—With 18 men already having signed contracts, Manager Ray Ryan, of the "Down Homers," is busy getting together a few more baseball artists for the only Carolina team in the Virginia circuit, and the advice from the manager at his winter home in Ohio is to the effect that he is very much gratified at the success that has attended his efforts after getting a late start. Manager Ryan, after his selection to the position, less than a week after this city was awarded the franchise, was well down at the task of lining up his club for the approaching season, and to date, there have been terms accepted from 18 men, with possibly five or six more on whom lines are held but who have not signed up at this time.

Manager Ryan will arrive in this city early in March, according to advice to local officials, and from then until April 1, he will complete the final arrangements for the starting of the training season on April 1. Twenty days will be given to the selection of the team that will represent this city when the gong sounds April 21. During these days of training, there will be games taken on, with the teams in other circuits training in this vicinity, and already assurance of one or two games with the big league teams have been secured, while a series of games with two and perhaps three of the Carolina league teams, and probably one or more of the international league teams will be secured.

GOLDSBORO GIRLS WINNERS.

Defeat Rocky Mount Aggregation in Basketball Game.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 15.—With the score a tie to within the last three minutes of the play, the Goldsboro High School basketball team of young ladies defeated the local organization from the city schools here on Saturday afternoon, with one of the most remarkable spurts of playing ever seen by a team here. After battling through the entire contest, which was a nip and tuck affair, with the local young ladies as well in the game as the visiting quint, which was easily the strongest feminine basketball team here in months, the fair players from Goldsboro took the game in their own hands and aided by the accurate goal throwing of Miss Rosalind Yelverton, who evidenced an ability to find the basket from most any part of the field, there were ten points rushed in, within the last three minutes the Goldsboro students winning by a score of 22 to 12. While Miss Yelverton stood out as the bright star of the Goldsboro organization, she was ably assisted by her teammates. Miss Beulah Joyner and Evelyn Shore claimed the honors for the local club.

SULLIVAN OF WHITE SOX IS UNCONDITIONALLY RELEASED

Surplus of Catching Material Reason for Veteran's Going.

Chicago, Feb. 15.—William Sullivan veteran catcher was unconditionally released today by the Chicago Americans. Manager Rowland said that with four other catchers Sullivan's services were unnecessary. It is understood Sullivan has no position in view.

Sullivan served fourteen years as a member of the White Sox. He was manager in 1909.

HARVARD'S VARSITY EIGHT FORMED TENTATIVELY

Contains Three Oarsmen Who Rowed Against Yale Last June.

Cambridge, Mass., Feb. 14.—Harvard's varsity eight was formed tentatively today with three oarsmen who rowed against Yale last June, three members of the crew which won at the Henley, and two members of last year's freshman eight. One hundred students answered the call for candidates.

New York, Feb. 15.—The transfer of the Baltimore club of the International club to Richmond, Va., was ratified at a conference here today of International club owners. The league will announce its schedule four weeks from today, it was said after the meeting. The season will begin April 27, it was said, with Toronto playing at Richmond.

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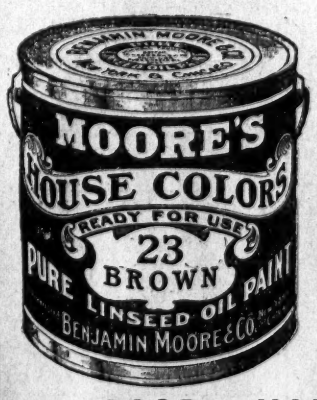

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Are we boosters?

Easter hats will be up and bank accounts will be down.

Take a man's bread ticket away from him if you want to get into trouble.

If Minister Van Dyke does not keep his equilibrium he will not keep his position.

A street railway president's idea of a jitney bus is that it is a Hogan's alley automobile.

Now is the time to recognize the evident truth that factory pay-rolls are better than community relief funds.

The railroads say they are in need of money. In that particular, the railroads are about like the balance of us.

The jingoes now have their opportunity to persuade the Washington administration to let Spain get Carranza's goat.

If the Legislature's new revenue act is not better than the old one, it can put the blame on everybody who voted to keep that old carpetbagger constitution as the first law of the land.

Billy Sunday claims that he has set things to rights in Philadelphia, but it is safe that Philadelphia has not sufficiently reformed to drive her Republican machine out of office so it can't exploit the people.

The Rev. Mabel M. Irwin, of New York, is making a fight on smoking as a harmful habit on the part of men. Probably the Reverend Mabel would like to see a law prohibiting a man from burning up his money.

Former President Taft continues to say things in the various speeches he is making at frequent intervals. Colonel Roosevelt is quietly making notes and sooner or later will write something about clap-trap and flapdubbery.

If the Republicans propose to go into the next campaign with a proposition to re-enact the Payne-Aldrich tariff law, why don't they propose to renominate Ex-President Taft? He lost out by standing four square on that act of the special interests Congress of 1908.

The Senate Democrats have agreed on a cloture rule to stop the Republicans from talking legislation to death. The Democrats used to do the same when the Republicans wanted to do things, but now that Congress ought to quit wasting time, cloture looks good to the Democrats. The fact is, there ought to be a limit against filibustering, which is but a piece of political brigandage on the part of a minority to thwart the will of a majority.

LEADERSHIP SEEKERS

The Greenville(S. C.) Piedmont says "there are many able men in the legislature, far more than has been the case for years, and each has wanted to be the leader." With all their aspiration towards leadership, why don't some of those so-called able men give a good imitation of statesmanship instead of getting in the lead with a brass band accompaniment? We ought to make political, social, material and general progress after every legislature meets if its membership embraces ability worth the name. Lots of fellows are more adroit in debate than they are gifted with genuine ability. No man is entitled to leadership when he gets credit for more noise than he does for constructive measures which make his State go another league on the march towards progress.

Legislatures come and go and they leave us plodding along in the same old way with state, county and municipal government systems that are effete. We make very little progress in political or social science, but these things are being brought to us by "congresses," associations," "conferences," "leagues," etc.

Well, of course, there might be some really able men in legislatures but as a general thing if they start anything they are gently laid on the mat and left there as a sort of settee for the crowd.

WAR VS. HIGH TARIFF.

Republican politicians and papers continue to point to the war tax as a Democratic measure and a product of the present administration, trying to lead the people to believe that if a Republican administration had been in charge of affairs in Washington or if the Wilson administration had not reduced the tariff taxes, the war revenue measure would not have been necessary.

How could a reduction of the tariff reduce the revenue of the United States government? Republicans of course have to admit that it can have that effect only by reducing the amount of duties collected on those goods that are actually brought into this country from other nations. Everybody agrees as to that. It was the well grounded belief of the Democratic administration and Congress that the increase in imports stimulated by the lower tariff duties would counteract the effect of the reduced rates so far as the aggregate revenue is concerned. Republicans and high protectionists also believed the lower tariff would result in an increase of imports. That was one of the principal grounds of their opposition to it. The protectionists always were opposed to more imports, because that meant competition and consequent lower prices to the consumer.

However, before the Democratic tariff had been given a test, the war in Europe broke out and those countries from which the United States received the bulk of her imports and of her customs revenue became unable to ship goods to America. They need about all they can produce for their own use. They are now buying from America instead of selling. Consequently, the American government's income from import duties has been greatly decreased. So far as concerns the American Treasury Department, as well as the American manufacturer and other producers, the war is having the effect not only of a high protective tariff but of a prohibitive tariff. And everybody knows a tariff prohibitively high would yield no revenue for the government.

As a matter of fact, recognized as such by many thinking people, it is probable that if Roosevelt or Taft had been in the White House, supported by a Republican Congress, during 1914, the people of America would have been paying a much heavier war tax than that now in operation. It would not have been levied solely to make up the deficit caused by the cutting off of imports from Europe, but in addition to this we would probably have been paying a much greater war tax to support a war of our own—with Mexico and probably some of the European nations.

STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

It is quite reasonable to suppose that the North Carolina Legislature will pass the bill establishing a State Highway Commission. At present, highway building in North Carolina is a county policy.

Forty states have organized state highway departments and are handling the road problem from the standpoint of the state. None of these states have considered giving up this method of handling the road problem. All consider it necessary that a state have a highway department in order to adequately take care of its public roads. It is urged that this is a strong argument for North Carolina to join the list of states having state highway departments.

Different materials will be used for surfacing roads in different counties, and the material to be used will depend on the amount of traffic that is to go over the road. It is important, therefore, that the right kind of material shall be used so that it will remain a hard road under the traffic that goes over it. Materials have to be investigated and tested before it can be determined whether or not they will be satisfactory. Such work can only be done satisfactorily through a State highway department, and such investigations may be the means of saving thousands of dollars to a county.

Roads must be properly located and drained, and regular system should be observed in keeping highways in repair. At the present time there is but little attention being given to the maintenance of public roads, and perhaps the greatest road problem confronting the people of North Carolina today is this question of maintenance of public roads. A properly organized State Highway Commission can solve this problem, and can eventually give to North Carolina an adequate method of maintenance of its public roads.

It is rightfully contended that without a state highway commission we will continue to have in many of the counties of North Carolina improper construction of roads, rapid deterioration of roads, narrow roads with steep grades, badly located roads, and wasteful expenditure of road funds.

THE CITY CHARTER

It is to be regreted that Representative Stacy and Senator Cooper, in the State General Assembly, are apparently at variance over the city charter proposed for Wilmington to an extent that may endanger passage of the bill by the Legislature. This is to be regretted and it is to be hoped that their differences may be compromised. The charter does not go into effect until it is ratified by the people and we take it that no fair-minded man can object to the passage of a measure for the people upon which the people themselves will finally pass.

With reference to the initiative, recall and referendum: If these features are superfluous under a city manager plan of government, then there should be no reasonable objection to retaining these features of the old charter as they certainly can do no harm. The session of the General Assembly is drawing to a close; the people are beginning to become impatient of their rights, and we believe they will suffer no thwarting of their public will to pass upon a new charter for themselves.

SHIPS PLENTIFUL, RATES HIGH.

The Philadelphia Record (Dem.) is opposed to the government's going into the shipping business and contends that there is nothing in the argument of the national shipping advocates that this country's commerce is lagging because of a scarcity of ships. The Record says:

"While the Secretary of the Treasury is feeding Congress on tales of congested ports, whence our products cannot go abroad for lack of vessels, the heartless exports go on leaving the country in unprecedented amounts. In the first week of February the exports from 13 districts were close to $60,000,000, which is at the rate of over three billions a year, while our exports have never reached two and a half billions. The cotton exports for the week were 365,733 bales, or at the rate of about 19,000,000 bales a year, far more than we ever produced. The excess of the value of exports over imports was more than $37,000,000, and in 10 weeks the exports have amounted to more than half a billion dollars and the balance in our favor was $275,000,000. The importance of more ships seems to have been slightly exaggerated."

The country seems to be doing a tremendous export business, but how much greater would the business be if ships were more plentiful and rates were lower? In spite of The Record's claim, ships are hard to get at, reasonable charter charges, and the commerce of the country is costing about five to ten times more for water transportation than has ever been the case. While contending that there is no lack of ships, The Record says in another editorial:

"The United States has never been an exporter of pig iron in any considerable amount, but, according to The Iron Age, 'if ocean freights were not so high and cargo space could be secured, American pig iron manufacturers would be able to book considerable tonnage for export.' This being the case, it is difficult to see why some Pennsylvanian ironmasters have been so insistent in their demands for a prohibitive duty on pig iron and have attributed recent dullness in the trade to the tariff. The imports have been trifling, and our blast furnaces can compete in prices with those of foreign countries. What more can be asked?"

See there! High rates are given as the cause of the failure at this time to export pig iron. If that be true, it would seem that there are not enough ships to compete for cargoes. Certainly we cannot export pig iron if ocean freights are prohibitive.

Yes, Mabel, a gink is a fellow who does not live in New York.

THE SMALL HOUSE-OWNER.

(New York World.)

The real estate taxes offer a gloomy prospect to that class seldom heard from and little considered—those people who want no charity, and have by work and self-denial managed to get what they expected would be a home when their working days were over.

There are many who have toiled long days cheerfully and given help to the needy who now find homes are places on which they can neither pay the high taxes nor sell to get their money to live on. These people are suffering quietly while the sentimental ones vote away other folks' money for schemes to make paupers.

There is no hope for help from those who live on the extravagance of the city, but it might be well for the theorists who "sit and dream" uplift plans to beware of pulling down those who after bearing their burden and doing their work must pay the bills. G.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Wilmington Star Says: "Sometimes it is difficult for us to deside whether we are working our religion for all it is worth or whether our religion is working us up to the point that it makes us do things that are more or less absurd." A lot of men mistake their prejudices for religious convictions. — Jacksonville Times-Union.

From beginning to end, the Southern Railway will probably expend close to $500,000 in the completion of its plans for a new freight and passenger station, along with other things required. This should help this section considerably. They have already bought over $100,000 in real estate and by the time everything is completed the total amount will not miss the above figure much.—Greensboro Record.

The Lee Cotton Oil Mill stops only for Sunday. The mill is put in operation at midnight Sunday night and the machinery is kept running until midnight Saturday night. This company has manufactured an immense amount of material from the raw seed since the season opened. If we had a half dozen manufacturing plants in Sanford equal to the Lee Cotton Oil Mill we would not hear so much complaint among our people about "hard times."—Sanford Express.

A good roads booster in Jacksonville gives out the statement that taken in connection with what he has discovered in Florida and what he knew before he came here, there are 150,000 families only awaiting a comprehensive good roads law to come to the state to improve holdings they have in Florida. If the passing of such a law will increase the population of the state 50 per cent at once, there ought to be an extra session of the legislature between now and the first of the month. It is almost too good to be true.—Miami Herald.

Bread is up a cent in New York today, and there is a general belief that the same result has been attained by some bakers in this city by reducing the size of loaves and rolls. The bakers can hardly be blamed with flour at present prices. Of course, there is speculation in wheat, and it helps to force up the price. But nothing is clearer than that Russia cannot export, and that there is, therefore, a phenomenal demand upon our wheat supplies. The exports are enormous; the remaining surplus cannot be very great. But it must be kept constantly in mind that Argentine wheat is now coming on the market, and there is probably a large surplus, and the Indian wheat, of which the area is greater than ever before, should make itself felt in the market by May, and possibly earlier.—Philadelphia Record.

President Wilson's charge that the Republicans "have not had a new idea in thirty years" carries this period of mental inactivity back to 1885. Search the records, and it will be found that in that long space of time G. O. P. statesmanship has mainly consisted in jacking up the tariff in return for liberal campaign contributions from protected beneficiaries. Previous to 1885 the Republicans had carried the Civil war to a successful finish and had brought about the resumption of specie payments. Progress had also been made in civil service reform. Since then, however, they have done nothing toward improving the banking laws, which the country had outgrown; toward a fair and equitable revision of the tariff, and toward solving the trust problem. It was left to the Democrats to accomplish these three great feats. For the last few years the G. O. P. has been drifting along on forged quotations from Lincoln, who has now been in his grave nearly half a century.—Philadelphia Record.

Saturday's Observer carried a picture of the half-million dollar store and office block under construction in Charlotte by the Mercantile Development Company. We may be able to follow this in a short time with a picture of the Ford Automobile factory in Charlotte. The initial investment on the Ford plant will be $200,000, but if Ford history repeats itself in this instance, as it is likely to do, this $200,000 will prove but the nucleus for an expansion. Charlotte has been for some time one of the greatest automobile sales points in the South, and the Ford development gives promise that it is to become one of the largest manufacturing points in the automobile industry. The final determination of the Ford Company to locate in Charlotte is a mighty fine piece of news for this city and this section of the South.—Charlotte Observer.

LENT OF ANCIENT ORIGIN

Rev. Father C. Dennen Says Season of Fasting Was Instituted in Early Centuries of Church.

"In your article, 'Lent begins Wednesday,' as published in Monday's Star, you fall into some descriptions that might be misleading," said Rev. Father C. Dennen, rector of St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, yesterday in speaking of the Lenten season. "You say 'Good Friday commemorative of that day during which for six hours Christ hung upon the Cross.' You should have said three hours.

"Lent, or the 40 days' fast was instituted in the early centuries of the Church. Some writers think the custom was of Apostolic origin. For example St. Leo in 461 exhorts his hearers to abstain that they may 'fulfill with their fasts the Apostolic institution of the 40 days.'

"Others reject this theory and claim its institution at a later period. At any rate it was a custom observed by the Catholic church in the earliest centuries and from that time down to the present day. You hardly do us justice by the expression, 'The Catholic church also observes the Lenten season.' We not only also observe it but we have always observed it."

A copy of the Lenten regulations governing this vicariate of the Catholic church has been furnished The Star by Father Dennen. Their conditions may be mitigated as conditions may require. They are as follows:

All the week days of Lent, from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday, are fast days of precept, on one meal, with the allowance of a moderate collation in the evening.

The Church excuses from the obligation of fasting (but not of abstinence from flesh meat except in special cases of sickness) the infirm, those who are not 21 years old, those whose duties are of an exhausting or laborious character, women in pregnancy or those nursing infants, and all who are enfeebled by old age.

The following dispensations are granted for this Vicariate by the authority of the Holy See:

1. The use of flesh meat; as also of eggs and white meats, is permitted at every meal on the Sundays of Lent, and at the principal meal on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, with the exception of Ember Saturday and Holy Saturday.

2. The use of white meats is allowed every day in Lent at the evening collation, and also at the principal meal on the days on which the use of flesh meat is forbidden.

3. A small piece of bread, with a cup of coffee, tea or chocolate, can be taken in the morning.

4. Where it is not convenient to take the principal meal at noon, it is lawful to invert the order, and take a collation in the morning and dinner in the evening.

5. Drippings and lard may be used in the preparation of the kinds of foods which are permitted.

6. On Sundays there is neither fast nor abstinence, but fish cannot be used with flesh meat at the same meal at any time during Lent.

7. Those who are exempt from fasting may partake of flesh meat at every meal during the day when by special indult flesh meat is permitted at the principal meal.

The time for fulfilling the Easter Precept of Communion in the Vicariate extends from the first Sunday in Lent to Trinity Sunday, inclusive.

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MAYOR WRIGHT RENOMINATED

Annual Meeting of Beach Citizens—Messrs. J. A. Taylor and L. Stein for Aldermen—Sewerage.

Mr. Thos. H. Wright was re-nominated for the office of Mayor of the town of Wrightsville Beach at the annual meeting of the property owners of the beach, held in the quarters of the Chamber of Commerce last evening at 8:30 o'clock, and Messrs. J. Allan Taylor and L. Stein were nominated for the position of Aldermen in the places of Messrs. M. J. Corbett and P. R. Albright, both of whom declined re-nomination. These nominations are for four year terms, beginning April 1st.

The meeting last night was largely attended, between 50 and 60 of the property owners of the beach being present. Mayor Wright presided and Mr. R. H. Northrop, city clerk and treasurer of the town of Wrightsville Beach, kept a record of the proceedings.

Mr. Wright's re-nomination as mayor was by unanimous vote, and upon the declination of Mr. Corbett and Mr. Albright to serve another term as members of the Board of Aldermen, Messrs. Taylor and Stein were nominated. Upon motion of Mr. H. McL. Green a vote of thanks was tendered Messrs. Corbett and Albright for their services as aldermen in the past. Mr. Corbett has been on the board of aldermen ever since the town of Wrightsville Beach was incorporated in 1898.

The question of a better sewerage system for the beach was taken up, and after a full discussion, the Board of Aldermen was authorized to let a contract for the installation of a system of septic tanks, at a cost not to exceed $6,250. The work will probably be started as soon as a contract can be executed.

Another important matter was taken up, when upon motion of Mr. J. Allan Taylor, a resolution was adopted authorizing the Mayor to appoint a committee of five to confer with the Tidewater Power Company and with the Board of County Commissioners and advocate the construction of a roadway from the mainland to the beach, the cost to be borne jointly. Mayor Wright will appoint this committee within the next few days.

The meeting unanimously endorsed the efforts of the New Hanover Fishing Club to secure protection for the edible fish in the ocean adjacent to the beach.

NEGRO WAS CARELESS IN USE OF REVOLVER

Ramos Lock Sent to County Roads for Eight Months—Other Cases.

Ramos Lock, colored, who was alleged to have pointed a pistol at Charity Parker, also colored, was sent to the county roads by the Recorder yesterday fours months being for assault with a deadly weapon and four being for carrying a concealed weapon. Bishop Keedon, colored, who confessed to stealing, five chickens from two different persons, was given four months on the county roads. Bill Kelly, colored, was given 30 days on the county roads for assaulting a companion.

Charles Payne, colored, charged with stealing grape juice from Payne Drug Company, was taxed with the costs and prayer for judgment continued. Oscar Slater, J. W. Fennell and James Hooper, all colored, charged with gambling, were required to pay one-third the costs each. Young Hall and Joe Rayford, both colored, charged with gambling, were required to pay one-half the costs each. John Covington, colored, was required to pay the cost for assault on a female.

To Repeat "Circus."

Many requests for a return performance having been received, "The Indoor Circus," given at the Cornelius Harnett school last Thursday afternoon and Friday evening, will be repeated Thursday evening of this week. The excellence of the entertainment has been commented on most favorably by all who witnessed its presentation last week. A small admission will be charged, and the proceeds will go to the school improvement fund.

JEFFERSON AS A SURVEYOR

Roosevelt Interested When Carried to Monticello—Some Other Facts About Presidents.

During Col. Roosevelt's administration he attended a good roads convention at Charlottesville, Va. When being driven up the mountain to Monticello, Jefferson's home, with the other guests, he asked, "Wonder who surveyed this road?" When told Jefferson had, he said: "Well, Tommy was some surveyor." As he readily noticed with what ease a team could be driven up the mountain on the road of S shape.

Did you know only one President died in the White House, and only one ever married in the White House? Did you know that one President, when he was made President of the United States, was plouging a mule and that another was playing a game of marbles, known as knucks, with Tomboys? The Star "Page of Presidents" will tell you this and much more. It is a fine proposition for the advertiser, because when so many commence to tell him they read his ad from both in and out of the city, he will smile a smile. Contestants, your patience will not be tried much longer before you get a chance at the $25 prize, and it will be found out whether you can spell and what you know about the Presidents. Only a few select spaces left for some advertisers who know how to appreciate a good thing.

The time for the appearance of the Page of Presidents in The Star is not far off. Watch for the announcement as to day it will appear.

Peace Conference.

Invitations to attend the Emergency Peace Conference in Chicago the last two days in February have been received by Mayor P. Q. Moore and the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. W. W. Koch, who served as delegate from the Wilmington Sunday School Association to the convention of the International Sunday School Association in Chicago last June, has also received notification of the conference and is authorized to extend an invitation to the Sunday School Association, as well as to the individual Sunday schols, of Wilmington, to send delegates.

—Mr. Thomas S. Payne left yesterday for Charlotte to attend the convention of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of the Southern Presbyterian church.

DON'T LIKE MACHINERY ACT

City Council Endorses Efforts of Carolina Municipal Association for Remedial Legislation.

At an informal conference held at the city hall yesterday morning, City Council gave its endorsement to the efforts now being made by the North Carolina Municipal Association to secure the repeal of certain sections of the machinery act dealing with the question of privilege taxes, and also to secure the passage of a law providing that 30 per cent of the amount paid into the road and bridge tax fund of a county by a city or town be expended for the benefit of that city or town.

The action of Council followed the receipt of a circular sent out by the Association asking the different cities and towns to support the efforts of the Association, and after the meeting the following letter was forwarded to Capt. Jas. D. McNeill, of Fayetteville, chairman of the legislative committee of the association:

"Jas. D. McNeill, Chairman, Fayetteville, N. C.

"Referring to circular Municipal Association, Council at meeting today strongly endorsed request for remedial legislation along line asked for. Consider exemptions as eminently unfair to municipalities and in nature of class legislation. Also call attention to trifling license tax permitted on oil companies, giving these corporations exemptions not allowed individuals engaged in ordinary lines of business. Council ask that you urge on all representatives to give the towns and cities a fair deal in this matter.

"By order,

"THOS D. MEARES, Clerk."

The committee is especially anxious to have section 31 the Revenue Act repealed. It is as follows:

"On each and every practicing lawyer, physician, dentist, oculist, photographer, optician, osteopath, architect, optometrist, veterinary surgeon, accountant, fire insurance adjuster, electrical engineer, civil engineer, or any person practicing any professed art of healing for fee or reward, the sum of five dollars; on traveling tintypists, twenty-five dollars; Provided, that no city, town or county shall levy any additional license tax under this section; said license when paid to be good in every county in the State."

An effort is also being made to secure legislation to authorize cities and towns to fix their own privilege tax on telephone, telegraph and express companies, and the local governing body adds a suggestion that in this be included the oil companies.

With reference to the attitude of the Association on the question of road and bridge taxes, the following paragraph from the circular issued by the Association will be of interest:

"As shown above, in the counties where our leading cities are located, the property in those places are paying a very large percentage of the county road and bridge taxes, and practically receiving nothing in return. We are therefore asking for legislation that will give to these towns and cities not less than 30 per cent of the money that they pay into this fund to be used in helping to maintain the bridges and county thoroughfares that lead into and through their corporate limits, the remaining 70 per cent to be used as now for the balance of the county. Surely this ought to commend itself to every fair-minded man. When the counties issue road bonds, the cities pay their full share of county roads. When the city issues street improvement bonds, though the county people use the streets, the county property pays nothing."

WILLIAMSON IS RECAPTURED

Escaped Convict's Liberty Was Short Lived—Larceny Charge.

Randolph Williamson, white, who was sentenced to a term of 12 months on the county roads early in January, and who escaped yesterday morning from the James Walker Memorial hospital, where he had been a patient for the past several weeks, was recaptured last night at 9:45 o'clock at Wrightsboro, where he was waiting on the train. Road Superintendent R. H. Burnett, Deputy Sheriffs A. L. Kelly and C. Reynolds and Constable John H. Davis composed the party of officers who captured the runaway convict.

Simultaneously with the disappearance of Williamson from the hospital yesterday morning, Oscar Johnson, another patient at the hospital, missed the sum of $10.20 in cash. The police were notified and they began a search for Williamson. It was learned last night that he had left the city and gone to Wrightsboro to await an outbound train. The county officers were notified and upon their arrival at Wrightsboro they had no trouble in finding their man. He was brought back to the city and lodged in jail overnight. The police have a warrant for him, charging him with the larceny of Johnson's $10.20.

Williamson has served several terms on the county roads, and once before he escaped from the hospital, where he was sent for treatment while serving a term.

VALUABLE REALTY SOLD

Several Tracts Auctioned Off at Court House Yesterday.

Under foreclosure of a mortgage from the Wilmington Door and Lumber Company to Mr. C. N. Evans, trustee, two parcels of city realty and several tracts of country land, containing approximately 300 acres, most of which is swamp, were sold at public auction at the court house at noon yesterday by Robert C. Ruark, Esq.

The principal tract is a lot on the western line of Front street, 132 feet north of Ann street, with a frontage of 66 feet and extending back to the channel of the Cape Fear river. This lot was bid in by Mr. T. D. Love, his bid being $11,000.

The second lot is on the north line of Meares, 183 feet east of Fourth street, 33 by 87 feet in size, and was bid in by A. S. Williams, Esq., at between $500 and $600.

The country land, which lies in several different tracts in Cape Fear township, in the Cat Fish Creek section, was bid in by Chesley Bellamy, Esq., at between $300 and $400.

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is the greatest inspiration a man can have and the life of the family, yet how many homes in this fair land are blighted by the ill health of wife and mother!

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WANTS TO MEET SURVIVORS

Col. John W. Vrooman, of Herkimer, N. Y., Seeking Information About Fort Fisher Veterans.

Col. John Wright Vrooman, a well known citizen of Herkimer, N. Y., who is spending a few weeks at Pinehurst, is planning to visit Wilmington and Fort Fisher before returning home in order to refresh his memory as to other days. Aboard the United States steamship Vanderbilt, he participated in the siege of Fort Fisher from December 25, 1864 until January 15, 1865. "Thank God that is only a memory," he writes in a letter to Mrs. A. S. Holden, of Wilmington, "for I now love my comrades of the Southland as much as I do my comrades of the Northland."

He is anxious to meet some of the survivors of the battle of Fort Fisher and has written Mr. Holden to secure the names of some of them. Mr. Holden will appreciate it if survivors of the famous battle will write him so that he may arrange for Colonel Vrooman to meet them in the event that he is able to come to Wilmington.

Colonel Vrooman is one of the best known and finest citizens of his section. He was at one time Grand Master of the Masons of the State of New York. He has been prominent in the business and commercial life of his native county and has also been connected with extensive interests outside the county. Several years ago the degree of Master of Arts was conferred upon him by Hamilton College, of Herkimer for his scolarly attainments.

"At the suggestion of Right Worshipful John C. Drewry, of Raleigh," he writes Mr. Holden from Pinehurst, "I am taking the liberty of writing you for some information. By the enclosures, which I trust will serve as an introduction, you will note that I visited your locality fifty years ago. Thank God that is only a memory, for I now love my comrades of the Southland as much as I do my comrades of the Northland.

"We have a sort of Fort Fisher Survivors' Association. Our last formal meeting was held in the city of Utica, N. Y., in September, 1909, when nearly 200 persons from Wilmington and vicinity visited that city. Since that time a number of the officers of the association have died and we have held no formal meeting. I greatly desire to visit your city while at Pinehurst to renew the acquaintance of my Confederate friends of Utica days and make new ones.

"Unfortunately I am not in possession here of any of the names of the survivors living in Wilmington. Rev. J. A. Smith and one or two other visitors of Wilmington have recently died, as I understand. If not too much trouble, will you kindly interview one or more of the survivors living in Wilmington, that I may obtain their names and get into correspondence with a view to meeting them personally. It would also please me very much indeed, should I visit your city, to meet yourself and other Masonic brethren while there. I have been deeply devoted to the interests of the fraternity ever since I was made a Mason at the age of 21. As Grand Master of the State of New York, I officially met many brethren from the South and received both pleasure and profit from the meeting."

Real Estate Transfers.

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: R. L. Johnson and wife to Kate F. Harold, for $100 and other considerations, lot on east line of Eighth, 231 feet south of Marsteller street, 33x150 feet in size; J. H. Niggel and wife to Anna M. Elden, for $100 and other considerations, tract in Cape Fear township, on Wild Cat branch, containing 32.85 acres.

Ash Wednesday Services.

Ash Wednesday services will be conducted at St. Paul's Episcopal church tomorrow by Rev. E. de F. Heald, Jr., the rector. Morning prayer, Litany, Penitential Service and Holy Communion, will be observed at the morning service, beginning at 10:30 o'clock, and at the evening service, beginning at 8 o'clock, will be evening prayer and sermon.

PREPARING SHIPPERS' GUIDE

Most Complete Book of Its Kind Ever Issued by Atlantic Coast Line to Be Off Press Soon.

A new edition of the well known publication of the Atlantic Coast Line, known as the Industrial and Shippers' Guide, will be off the press at an early date and will be the most complete publication of its kind ever issued by a Southern railroad or in the country for that matter. The book is being printed by J. P. Lodge, the well known publisher of Philadelphia.

The last edition of the Atlantic Coast Line Shippers' Guide was published in 1912. Active preparations for the new volume have been under way for several months. The book will be issued under the auspices of the traffic department and the data is being secured under the general supervision of Mr. W. E. Renneker, assistant general freight agent. Mr. Guy E. Cardwell, land and immigration agent, has also been instrumental in securing valuable information with reference to trucking and agricultural conditions. The publication will feature especially the great development in agriculture and trucking in the South along the lines of the Atlantic Coast Line. One of its main objects is to bring about a closer relation between the shipper and the railroad. It will be a veritable encyclopedia of information with reference to the various industries in the different Southern states traversed by the Atlantic Coast Line.

The resources of each State will be shown in detail. Important information with reference to the industries of all the principal cities in the different states will be given, the cities being arranged alphabetically so as to make the information readily accessible. The acreage for various crops will also be shown. Valuable information regarding wholesale and retail enterprises will also be given.

The book will be bound with flexible covers and will be illustrated with many pretty photographs. From an artistic standpoint it will be the neatest and handsomest publication ever issued by the Coast Line.

All of the larger cities such as Wilmington, Richmond, Savannah, Jacksonville, Columbia, etc., will have several pages each giving a complete history of their growth and development. In securing this information the officials of the railroad have had the active co-operation of the Chamber of Commerce in each of the cities.

BIG CONTRACT IS AWARDED

D. L. Taylor & Co. Successful Bidders for Construction of Mammoth Breakwater at Lookout.

The contract for building the first section of the mammoth breakwater at Cape Lookout to form a harbor of refuge for vessels during storms has been awarded to D. L. Taylor & Co., of Medina, N. Y., who were the lowest bidders. Thirteen contractors submitted proposals for furnising stone for this big project. The stone will be of three grades, but the bid of Taylor & Co. was for $1.98 a ton straight through.

For the purpose of canvassing bids it was assummed that 533,800 tons of stone owuld be used in the initial work for which $1,250,000 has been provided and that to complete the entire project 1,221,700 tons of stone will be used. The estimated cost of the entire job is $3,170,000. In awarding the contract for the initial work to D. L. Taylor & Co. it is provided that it will be mutually agreeable for this concern to complete the entire contract.

The authorization for awarding the contract to D. L. Taylor & Co. was received yesterday by Major H. W. Stickle, United States district engineer. It is expected that Mr. D. L. Taylor, president of the company, will be in Wilmington this week to sign the contract and it will then be sent to the chief engineers for approval.

The bid submitted by D. L. Taylor & Co. for constructing the first section was for $1,073,358 while their bid for completing the entire project was for $2,435,400.

After the formal approval of the contract, it will be obligatory upon the contractor to begin work within six months but it is expected that work will begin much sooner than this. The contract specifies that not less than 27,000 tons of rock shall be placed each month. Upon this basis it would take probably two years to complete the work after it is started. It is understood, however, that the contractor expects to make much better time than this and will place at least 50,000 tons a month, so that the work will be finished within a year.

The stone to be used in the construction of the breakwater will be obtained from a quarry near Havre de Grace, Md. and will be transported by water the entire distance. The contractor will have 30 barges in operation to be towed by six tugs.

When the breakwater is completed it will extend a little more than a mile southwestwardly from the cape. A little more than one-third of this distance will be included in the first section.

WAR COSTS ALLIES 10 BILLIONS A YEAR

(Continued from Page One.)

Russia need not hesitate to place orders for fear of any difficulty in obtaining money to pay for them, the chancellor declared. Russian treasury bills to the amount of $50,000,000 issued in London in the past few days had been over-subscribed. The speaker declared there was a satisfactory amount of gold in London. "If, however, our gold reserves fall below a certain point—a pretty high point—the banks of France and Russia will come to our assistance Mr. Lloyd-George said.

Mr. Lloyd-George laid emphasis on the fact that the Allies must be prepared to contribute proportionately to loans needed by the states prepared to join them later as well as smaller states now fighting with the Allies. Great Britain, he said, had advanced $160,000,000 for Russian purchases in Great Britain and elsewhere, and Russia had a credit of $200,000,000 in London. France had made Russia similar advances and Russia, it was estimated, would still require considerable credits for purchases outside her own country.

After alluding to the fact that the accumulation of gold in Great Britain was the largest in the country's history, Mr. Lloyd-George added, that France and Russia also had accumulated great reserves which had been barely touched during the war. Arrangements had been made regarding purchases by the allied countries in neutral markets whereby competition was eliminated, efficiency promoted and delays prevented.

In concluding the chancellor emphasized the fact that the "face-to-face conference" of the finance ministers at Paris had been entirely successful and stated that similar conferences should be held for the purpose of co-operation in other spheres.

New York, Feb. 15.—Paul Lewis, a 19-year-old semi-professional pitcher of Hoboken, N. J., has signed a contract with the New York Americans, it was announced tonight. In an exhibition game against Washington last season, Lewis struck out 18 men.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Memorial services for the dead of the battleship Maine were held in Arlington Cemetery today. Patriotic organizations and United States trops, marines and bluejackets participated.

BACKACHE IS A WARNING

Wilmington People Should Not Neglect Their Kidneys.

Backache is often nature's most frequent signal of weakened kidneys. To cure the pains and aches, to remove the lameness when it arises from weakened kidneys, you must reach the cause—the kidneys. If you have pain through the small of your back, urinary disorders, headaches, dizzy spells, or are nervous and depressed, start treating the kidneys with a tested kidney remedy.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. E. L. Shinn left Sunday afternoon for Lynchburg, Va., to visit her mother, Mrs. J. E. Fletcher.

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The last dance before the Lenten season will be the subscription dance at the Cape Fear Country club this evening.

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Mrs. A. S. Peatross left yesterday afternoon for Newbern, where she will spend a few days with her friend, Miss Kate Styron.

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Mrs. T. C. Covington and son, Robert Thomas, of Clio, S. C., are guests of Mrs. T. S. Maultsby, No. 207 South Front street.

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There will be a social meeting of the Baraca and Philathea classes in the Sunday school rooms at the First Baptist church this evening at 8:15.

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Mrs. F. M. Pridgen has returned from Acme, where she was called on account of the illness of her father, Mr. A. T. Butler, who, her friends will regret to learn, is not much improved.

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Mrs. E. F. Wolf, of Charlotte, who has been spending several days in Wilmington with her nephew, Mr. R. L. Thompson, at the Hotel Wilmington, left yesterday afternoon for Newbern, where she will visit relatives and friends.

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The social committee of Fifth Street Epworth League have prepared an "Evening With Hearts" for the enjoyment of the members tonight. There will be games suitable to the occasion, interspersed with music, after which dainty refreshments will be served.

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The many friends of Dr. Frank H. Russell, who is seriously ill in a hospital in Baltimore, will be glad to know that his condition was improved yesterday afternoon. This information was contained in a telegram to Mr. William Gilchrist. His many friends will hope that he speedily recover.

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Another Camp Fire group of girls has been organized with Miss Nettie Fleming as guardian. It is to be called "Ontonola Camp". There are eight charter members, these being Misses Marie Bonitz, Marie Dreher, Martha Dreher, Omah Williams, Lucile Solky, Gladys Polvogt, Julia Stone and Emelia Bissinger.

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The young people of the Society of the Christian Endeavor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church most cordially invite all friends to joint with them this evening in a unique Valentine entertainment which they have arranged to be given in the Memorial Hall beginning at 8 o'clock. Many of the guests are expected to appear in Valentine costumes and there will be a number of very pleasing diversions for all who attend.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. Fred Banck and Miss Augusta Gieschen entertained a large number of their friends most delightfully last evening at the Germania club in honor of Miss Lucile Polvogt and Mr. Ferdinand Duls, who are to be married in April. The hall was beautifully and artistically decorated with myriads of tiny hearts. After games had been played for some time delicious refreshments were served. Dancing was then indulged in for the remainder of the evening.

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HARRIS-RUTLAND WEDDING YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

The marriage of Miss Hallie Nutt Rutland and Mr. Armand deRosset Harris was solemnized last evening at 6 o'clock at St. John's Episcopal church, Rev. W. E. Cox officiating. The ceremony was witnessed by many of their relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris left on the 6:45 train for New York, their future home.

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CLASSES OF Y. W. C. A. WHICH MEET TODAY.

The class in domestic science which is being conducted under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A. will meet at the High School this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The classes in basketry will meet at 4 o'clock this afternoon and 7:45 this evening. The class in bookkeeping will meet at 8 o'clock and the class in English at 7:30 o'clock. The class in parliamentary law will meet at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon. The last lesson in First Aid to the Injured will be given tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

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YOUNG PEOPLE MARRIED NEAR CURRIE SUNDAY.

Currie, N. C., Feb. 15.—Quite a happy ending to a little romance was the marriage of Miss Pearle Teague and Mr. Herbert Bell Sunday at the home of Mr. N. R. Croom near this place. There were only a few friends present. The bride is the charming sister of Prof. Talmage Teague, who is well known in Pender county. The groom is a young man of estimable qualities and is well known in social circles of Currie and the surrounding country.

Many good wishes attend the young couple from their friends of Currie and other points.

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MRS. JESSIE E. SOUTHWICK TO GIVE RECITAL HERE

Under the joint auspices of the High school and North Carolina Sorosis, Mrs. Jessie Eldridge Southwick, of Boston, Mass., widely known as an educator, author and an interpreter of poetry and the drama, will give a lecture recital at the auditorium of the Hemenway school next Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock. Her subject will be "The Drama of Human Life."

Some of the many positions filled by Mrs. Southwick have given ample opportunity for the development of philosophical and ethical power as well as dramatic expression and lyrical excellence. She is now teaching Ethics, Shakespeare, dramatic expression and voice culture at the Emerson College of Oratory, of which institution her husband, Prof. Henry Lawrence Southwick, is president. Also, for a number of years she has been on thestaff of instruction of the Summer School of the South, formerly under the leadership of Dr. P. P. Claxton and now under the direction of Dr. Brown Ayres, president of the University of Tennessee. She is well known as a writer and throughout all her work, the desire to promote the cause of peace and brotherhood rings clear and true.

The proceeds from her lecture here will be for the joint benefit of Sorosis and the school improvement fund, and it is expected that she will be heard by a very large audience.

W. L. I. BOYS HAVE DINNER

Capt. E. P. Bailey Was Toastmaster at Delightful Affair Last Evening. Occasion Informal.

An informal dinner was given last evening at the W. L. I. armory by the members of the Wilmington Light Infantry which was attended by the members of the company and the reserve corps, their friends and acquaintances. The affair took the place of the annual oyster roast and was a most enjoyable occasion. Capt. E. P. Bailey acted as toastmaster and after the serving of the dinner called on a number of the "boys" for short talks.

Mr. J. L. Galloway, president of the organization, was the first man to be singled out for a speech by the genial captain. He engaged in no oratorical pyrotechnics, but expressed the hope that the spirit of good fellowship manifested on this occasion might prove to be contagious and become a permanent asset of the organization.

A meeting of the company has been called for tonight to elect a successor to First Lieut. Paul Cantwell, who recently resigned, and Messrs. R. O. Grant and W. K. Gaylor, campaign managers for the two leading aspirants for the position, were requested to tell the boys how the campaign was progressing. Each predicted that his man would win in the election and declared himself fully satisfied with the outlook.

"Happy" Lewis, manager of the W. L. I. baseball team, talked about the prospects for the coming season and predicted that the aggregation he would get together would defeat all comers. Messrs. John Thompson and E. E. Bundy also talked about the baseball outlook and the prospects for a winning team.

Mr. W. A. Peschau, retired first sergeant, and Messrs. Zach Bell and C. S. Morse, members of the reserve corps, made short talks in which they spoke of the splendid work that the company is now doing.

Second Lieut. J. B. Lynch and Second Sergt. H. L. O'Neill also made short talks. The speech making was closed with a short talk by Captain Bailey in which he called attention to the examination to be given soon for second class gunners. In order to participate in the shooting contests at the annual encampment it is necessary for the company to have a certain number of these gunners and Captain Bailey appealed to the members to make the list as long as possible in order that the company may have a fine showing.

The committee on arrangements for the dinner was as follows: Mr. E. H. Holmes, chairman; R. E. Morse and E. Z. King. To them is due much of the credit for the enjoyable evening.

—John Pressley, colored, was arrested last night by Officer F. H. Fulford on a charge of assaulting Hamilton Gaymon, colored, with a deadly weapon. The men are said to have quarreled over a woman, and Pressley slashed Gaymon across the shoulder with a knife. Gaymon was not seriously injured.

FIRST BELGIANS TO ARRIVE

Party Spent Last Night in Wilmington En Route to Bolton, Where They Will Make Their Home.

The first party of Belgian refugees that will settle in this section arrived in Wilmington last evening from New York and will go this morning to Bolton, where they will be provided with homes by Mr. Frank P. Graves, president of the North Carolina Land Company. There were six in the party and although tired out from their long journey seemed to be in the best of spirits. They were especially pleased over the splendid treatment which they have received since they have been in America.

The names of those in the party are: Henry de Vree, Theo Van Kouwenberg, Frans Vermeulen, Mrs. Picavet and her son and daughter. They were originally members of a group of 28 families selected on account of their ability as cultivators by William H. Manss, of Baltimore, the special representative of the Southern Settlement & Development Organization. The other members of the group will be settled at various points in this country.

Mr. Graves will provide for them homes near Bolton and they will be given an opportunity to earn their living. They were met in Wilmington by Mr. A. Van Henven, of the North Carolina Land Company, who will accompany them to Bolton this morning.

In connection with the arrival of these Belgians the following from Sunday's New York World will be of interest:

"On the Nieuw Amsterdam yesterday arrived four Belgian families who, under the direction of Banker Hugh MacRae, of Wilmington, N. C., are going to settle on farms near that place."

The Belgians, arriving here last night, after the fall of Antwerp went to Holland, where they remained for some time. They returned to Belgium later, but found everything in desolation and ruin. They were confronted with starvation, they told Mr. Henven, and attempted to go back to Holland, but found this impossible, as the people of that country had no way of providing for them. Their only hope seemed to be that they might come to America.

BRUNSWICK TRUCKERS MEET.

Enthusiastic Gathering at Bolivia Yesterday—To Organize.

Mr. J. P. Herring, county farm demonstrator and president of the Wilmington Co-Operative Truck Growers Association, and Mr. C. E. Haskett, sales agent and general manager for the latter organization, returned to the city last evening from Bolivia, Brunswick county, where yesterday they attended a meeting of the truck growers of that section who are interested in the formation of a co-operation association.

Mr. Herring reports that the meeting was well attended, and that much enthusiasm attends the rapid development of truck growinfi in Brunswick county. Those present expressed themselves as being heartily in favor of organizing an association along the lines of the Wrightsboro Association, and the idea of having the Brunswick organization affiliated with the Wilmington Association was also discussed. While this point has not been definitely decided, it is not unlikely that such will be the case. The matter will be decided at a meeting to be held next Thursday night at Bolivia, when the association will be formed.

Mr. R. T. Melvin, farm demonstration agent for Brunswick county, presided at the meeting yesterday and talks were made by Messrs. Herring and Haskett, of this city, Mr. Herring giving some information as to the care and treatment of strawberries, and Mr. Haskett outlining the advantages of systematic distribution and marketing of truck crops.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. H. T. Fisher, of Fayetteville, was a guest at the Orton yesterday.

—Capt. N. O'Berry, of Goldsboro, was among the guests at the Orton yesterday.

—Mr. A. S. Holden returned last evening from a business trip to Raleigh.

—Mr. J. Berg, of Southport, was in the city yesterday, registering at the Orton.

—Sheriff W. R. Atkinson, of Pender county, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

—Mr. Jno. J. Nelson, of Greensboro, was registered at the Hotel Wilmington last night.

—Mr. F. T. Brinkley, of Winston-Salem, was a guest at the Hotel Wilmington last night.

—Mrs. Geo. L. Edgerton, of Goldsboro, was a guest at the Hotel Wilmington last night.

—Messrs. J. E. Williams and E. J. Hill, of Warsaw, were in the city yesterday, stopping at the Orton.

—Mr. George Brooks, who has been working at Beaufort since last September, has returned to the city.

—Mr. M. G. Vann, of Raleigh, was a business visitor in the city yesterday, a guest at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. F. D. Hardison, of Newbern, was a visitor in the city yesterday, a guest at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. W. Hope Whyte, of Philadelphia, a well known traveling salesman, is spending a few days in the city on business, a guest at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Among those who left yesterday afternoon for Charlotte to attend the Fourth General Convention of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of the Southern Presbyterian church were Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Baker and Rev. H. W. Koelling.

—Mr. J. T. Chestnut, of this city, left yesterday afternoon for Turkey, N. C., where he was called on account of the sudden death yesterday morning of his father, Mr. R. C. Chestnut. The deceased was a farmer and was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him. Surviving him are a wife and several children.

LOCAL DOTS.

—The hydro-aeroplane, owned by the Price Aviation Company, recently ordered to be sold under attachment proceedings, is due to be sold today at noon at Sunset Park.

—Claim and delivery proceedings for a piano were started in Superior Court yesterday by the Cobb Piano Company against Lane Andrews. Scull & McNorton represent the plaintiff.

—Essie Hankins, colored, was arrested by Policeman G. W. Bullard yesterday on a charge of violating the prohibition law and will be arraigned before the Recorder this morning.

—The Rounders deefated the Reds in an exciting game of basketball at the Boys' Brigade yesterday afternoon to the score of 28 to 0. The features were the playing of Williams, C. Gore and Horowitz.

—Registry blanks for physicians, who are required to register under the new Federal law which becomes effective March 1, have been received by Mr. J. R. Kennedy, deputy internal revenue collector.

—Duncan Little, colored, who engaged in a fisticuff with a companion at Front and Red Cross street yesterday morning, was arrested by Policeman B. H. Pace and locked up. The other man ran away and was not captured.

—Building permits were issued yesterday to J. Haughton James for the erection of a ten-room residence on Market street between 15th and 16th at an estimated cost of $4,000 and to P. M. Greer for the erection of a dwelling at the corner of Eighth and Marstellar streets, the cost being estimated at $750.

BEULAH BUCK QUARTETTE

Will Appear in Brigade Lyceum Course Thursday Evening.

One of the most beautiful of all the concerts rendered last season in the Boys' Brigade Lyceum course was that by the Beulah Buck Ladies quartette and their re-engagement was a source of great pleasure to the holders of tickets for this season. The announcement that they will return for their second concert Thursday night, February 18, is received with much satisfaction by subscribers to this course.

Mrs. Beulah Buck, soprano and reader, has a clear and brilliant soprano voice, which, coupled with her dramatic talent, enables he to sing with pleasing expression, either in the operatic arias of the pupular songs and ballads. In her readings she does not strive alone for heavy elocutionary effects, but also give such bits of impersonations as make a pleasing variety to an evening's programme.

Miss Harriet B. Jones, contralto, is a singer of rare gifts. Her voice is of the purest quality, with a range of two and one-half octaves, and she sings with equal ease throughout her entire compass. Her beautiful voice, her gracious manner, and pleasing stage presence, make her a most acceptable concert singer. Miss Marjorie Paddock, soprano and pianist, has a voice full of sweetness and that sympatnetic quality that never fails to delight. Miss Reba Conger, contralto, has wonderful ability. Of charming personality, blessed with god looks and gracious manner she possesses a voice of great range and power and of exceptional sweetness.

The programme will differ from that of last season, though it will lack nothing of the power to please which was manifested on that occasion. The sale of reserve seats will begin tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock at Munson & Co.

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If the skin be wrinkled or saggy, a face bath made by dissolving 1 oz. powdered saxolite in ½ pint witch hazel will be found most effective. Combining both astringent and tonic properties, this tightens the skin and braces up its supporting muscles.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON MARKET UNSETTLED

Prices Rally After Early Decline and Close From 4 Points Down to 5 Points Up.

New York, Feb. 15.—Cotton was more or less unsettled today but prices rallied after an early decline and closed firm at a net loss of four points to an advance of five points. March was four points lower, while later deliveries were generally 2 to 5 points net higher.

The market opened steady at a decline of 5 to 8 points in sympathy with relatively easy cables and active months sold about about 7 to 9 points net lower during the early trading.

Continued nervousness over the shipping situation and apprehensions of a check in the export movement, combined with predictions of increased Southern spot offerings with the approach of the new crop planting season, appeared to be chiefly responsible for the decline.

There was a good deal of buying on a scale down, however, and this support checked the decline around 903 for October and trading later became less active with prices working upward on a covering and bull support. The close was at practically the best point of the day.

The census figures on supply and distribution appeared to create no fresh sentiment of consequence, while the rally was aided by the relatively heavy spinners takings for last week, and the continued free export movement.

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 8.35; no sales.

Cotton futures closed irm.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Mar	8:38	8:45	8:37	8:42
May	8:61	8:71	8:60	8:70
July	8:81	8:90	8:78	8:90
Oct	9:06	9:16	9:03	9:15
Dec	9:26	9:32	9:20	9:30

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling, 8 11-16; receipts, 12,256; exports, 16,095; sales, 2,725; stock, 411,320.

Galveston—Middling, 8.45; receipts, 20,219; exports, 6,834; sales, 1,336; stock, 613,265.

Mobile—Middling, 7¾; receipts, 737; sales, 150; stock, 47,758.

Savannah—Middling, 8¼; receipts, 13,233; exports, 29,766; sales, 2,254; stock, 285,568.

Charleston—Middling, 8; receipts, 2,-632; exports, 14,800; stock, 114,414.

Wilmington—Middling, 8; receipts, 1,-577; stock, 55,354.

Norfolk—Middling, 7.88; receipts, 3,-291.

Baltimore—Middling, 8¾; receipts, 4,-$99; sales, 395; stock, 87,824.

Boston—Middling, 8.55; exports, 3,-006; stock, 2,782.

Philadelphia — Middling, 8.80; receipts, 3.71; stock, 11,100.

New York—Middling, 8.55; exports, 2,068; stock, 7,550.

Minor Ports—Receipts, 491; exports, 2,400; stock, 115,303.

Total today—Receipts, 59,106; exports, 73,969; stock, 1,881,604.

Total for week — Receipts, 111,209; exports, 127,449.

Total for season—Receipts, 7,400,248; exports, 4,645,819.

Interior Movement.

Houston — Middling, 8.40; receipts, 29,177; shipments, 30,816; sales, 1,240; stocks, 205,668.

Memphis—Middling, 7.88; receipts, 6,183; shipments, 6,797; sales, 1,500; stock, 225,419.

Augusta—Middling, 7.87½; receipts, 1,315; shipments, 1,183; sales, 1,284; stock, 148,299.

St. Louis—Middling, 8; receipts, 2,-424; shipments, 2,930; stock, 37,573.

Cincinnati — Receipts, 1,023; shipments, 1,175; stock, 11,227.

Little Rock—Middling, 8.00; receipts, 8.17; shipments, 1,221; stock, 59,514.

Dallas—Middling, 8.00; sales, 1,669.

Total today—Receipts, 40,939; shipments, 44,122; stock, 687,700.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 15. — Cotton, spot, steady; good middling, 5.24; middling, 4.92; low middling, 4.51. Sales, 6,000; speculation and export, 1,000; receipts, 38,976.

Futures, lower. May-June, 4.82½; July-August, 4.91; October-November, 5.03; January-February, 5.10.

COTTON SEED OIL.

New York, Feb. 15. — Cotton seed oil sold down 5 to 6 points early today for leading months, under liquidation, on the decline in lard, but later rallied partially on scattered buying of late positions for long account, and with the strength in grain and cotton. Final prices were three points lower to six net higher. Sales, 9,100.

The market closed irregular. Spot, 7.05@7.20; February, 7.10@7.20; March, 7.14@7.20; April, 7.21@7.25; May, 7.25@7.27; June, 7.36@7.39; July, 7.44@7.46; August, 7.55@7.57; September, 7.66@7.67.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 15. — Cotton goods markets were quiet today. Raw silk remained unchanged. Fine dress goods for Fall were opened by mill agents. Wholesale trade was generally quieter than last week.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

Market Fluctuates But Closes at Small Net Advance.

New Orleans, Feb. 15.—While prices were depressed in the early trading in cotton today they soon made a sharp recovery and in the early afternoon were 3 to 4 points over last week's final figures. The close was at a net gain of 2 to 3 points. At the lowest the market was 8 to 9 points under Saturday's close.

Selling in the morning was stimulated by the census bureau report on American consumption during January of 468,877 bales. Bears considered this was unfavorable because it was well under the consumption for the corresponding month last year.

In the morning considerable short selling was done but when shors tried to cover at a profit they found few contracts for sale and the market made a quick upward spurt. In the afternoon offerings were scanty and the market had a firm undertone. The holiday tomorrow was against fresh trading in any volume.

Spoptp coptton quiet, unchanged; sales on the spot 455 bales; to arrive 2,240. Cotton futures closing: March 8.16; May 8.43; July 8.62; October 8.86; December 9.00.

WHEAT PRICES LIFTED AGAIN

Export Business on an Immense Scale Results in Advance Nearly Five Cents—Corn Up.

Chicago, Feb. 15.—Export business on an immense scale lifted the wheat market today in a hurry. The outcome was a strong close at 4 1-4 to 5 1-4 net advance. Corn gained 1-4 to 3-8, and oats 5-8 to 3-4. Provisions finished unchanged to 15c down.

Grain and provisions close:

Wheat—May, 1.59½; July, 1.34⅛.

Corn—May, 80⅛; July, 81¼.

Oats—May, 61; July, 57⅝.

Pork—May, 18.87; July, 19.27.

Lard—May, 10.80; July, 10.95.

Ribs—May, 10.20; July, 10.42.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.60@1.60¼; No. 2, hard, 1.55@1.60¾.

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Arrived.

Str. Cherokee, Bunnell, New York, C. J. Becker, agent.

Cleared.

Str. Cherokee, Bunnell, Georgetown, C. J. Becker, agent.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Mar Adriatico (Sp.), 1,783 tons, Bilboa, Henry Whyte.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 2,289 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger.), 2,872 tons, Linke, at Southport, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Schr. Herbert May, 318 tons, Black, C. D. Maffitt & Co.

Schr. Rebecca R. Douglas, 399 tons, Ladd, C. D. Maffitt & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 15.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Steady, at 41½c.

ROSIN—Nominal.

TAR—Firm, $1.70 per barrel; 7c per gallon.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Quiet, $2.75 per barrel for soft; $2.75 per barrel for virgin; $1.50 per barrel for hard.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, steady, 45c.; Rosin, firm, $3.85; Tar, firm, $2.50-9c.; Crude Turpentine, firm, $3.50, $3.50, $2.25.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine .....(—)

Rosin 8

Tar 42

Crude Turpentine .....(—)

Receipts —Same day last year: Spirits turpentine, 1 cask; rosin, 7 barrels; tar, 6 barrels; crude turpentine, (—) barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Spot, middling, steady, 8c.; quotations same day last year, nominal.

Receipts—1,565 bales; same day last year, 607 bales.

Total receipts since September 1st, to date, 143,397 bales.

Total receipts to same day last year, 345,942 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, Feb. 15.

Atlantic Coast Line—901 bales cotton.

Seaboard Air Line—327 bales cotton; 8 barrels tar.

Str. Thelma—7 bales cotton.

Str. George Slover—8 barrels rosin.

Str. Fredericks—330 bales cotton.

Str. Graty—34 barrels tar.

Total—1,565 bales cotton; 8 barrels rosn; 42 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 13.)

CORN—$2.10 per sack.

PEAS—Black eyed peas, $2.50 per bu.; cow peas, market not open.

POTATOES — Irish potatoes, 80@85c. per bu. Sweet potatoes, yams, 65@75c. per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c.; good sales.

PORK—Small, 8@10c per lb.

SHEEP—Out of season.

WOOL—Burry, 14 to 15c.; black wool, 16 to 17c.; first-class white wool, 21c. free, 20@21c. per lb.

HIDES—Green salt, 13c.; dry flints, 17c. per lb.; good demand.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 20c.; sides and shoulders, 15c. lb.; very dull; no sales.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.

POULTRY — Chickens, grown, 40@45c. Spring, 15@30c. per head; very dull. Turkeys, 15c.; no sale.

EGGS—17@20c. per doz.; very dull; price expected to go lower.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 13.—North Carolina Peanuts — Market, firm; new crop, fancy hand picked, 70c; No. 1, machine picked, 60c per bu.

Virginia Peanuts—Steady, New crop Jumboes, 60c; fancy hand picked, 55c; No. 1, machine picked, 50c per bu.

Spanish Peanuts—Steady. New crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, 75c.; Jumboes, 65c. per bu. All receipts, heavier.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reparted by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., February 12, 1915.

Spanish — Farmers' stock, market quiet, 82½c per bu.

Virginias — Farmers' stock, market steady. Fancy Jumbo, 3¾c. per lb. Fancy Hand-Picked, 3½c. per lb. Extra Prime, 3¼c per lb. Shelling stock, 2¼c to 2¾c per lb.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Feb. 15. — Turpentine, firm, 42 to 42½; sales, 571; receipts, 55; shipments, 67; stocks, 35,212.

Rosin — Firm. Sales, 266; receipts, 55; shipments, 67; stocks, 35,212.

Rosin — Firm. Sales, 266; receipts, 768; shipments, 74; stocks, 137,663. Quote: A, B, 2.95; C, D, 3.00; E, F, 3.05; G, H, I, 3.10; K, 3.35; M, 4.00; N, 5.00; W G, 5.40; W W, 5.55.

U. S. Court Sale.

Of the Haar Stock of Dry Goods and Fixtures continues until sold. Court appraisers have reduced prices below wholesale cost. (advertisement.)—tf

STOCK MARKET IS SHAKY

Demoralisation in Foreign Exchange Markets—Concern Over Diplomatic Situation.

New York, Feb. 15.—Demoralisation in the foreign exchange markets, as indicated by a further decline in cables and other remittances on London to the lowest rates within the recollection of veteran bankers, and increased concern respecting the diplomatic situation, overshadowed all other considerations in today's stock market. Sight drafts on London fell to 4.81 and continental exchange was affected to a like degree.

The break in London exchange followed enormous offerings of commercial bills acquired by American bankers and merchants in connection with heavy sales of this country's commodities and merchandise abroad. In the opinion of experts exchange between New York and most European centers will continue to decline unless the Bank of England releases more of the gold now held to its credit at Ottawa.

Another interesting foreign development which bore less directly upon the exchange situation, was the announcement made by representatives of the British government that no joint war law was contemplated by the Allies.

Stocks moved in perfunctory fashion, their rise and fall being dominated by the professional element, which seem disposed at the outset to cover outstanding commitments. Later the short interest became moderately aggressive leaving stocks falling from 1 to almost 2 points under their best prices of the early session. In the final dealings support gave a better tone to important shares. The closing, however, was somewhat irregular.

Another upward move in stocks and bonds of the so-called Hawley group was without effect on the more seasoned securities. Bonds were heavy, with especial pressure upon the international division. Total sales, par value, aggregated $2,195,000. United States registered 2s advanced 1-8c on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Amalgamated Copper	54¼
American Agricultural	B. 49⅝
American Can	28¼
American Car and Foundry	44⅝
American Cities, pfd	offered. 60
American Cotton Oil	46⅝
American Smelting	65½
American Snuff	B.148
American Sugar	103
American Tel and Tel	120
American Tobacco	229
Atchison	94⅝
Atlantic Coast Line	B.104
Baltimore and Ohio	88¾
Canadian Pacific	157¾
Central Leather	35⅞
Chesapeake and Ohio	42
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	86
Erie	21⅞
General Electric	B.142
Great Northern, pfd	115¼
Illinois Central	105⅝
Interborough-Met., pfd	57⅞
Kansas City Southern	22¾
Lehigh Valley	132⅛
Louisville and Nashville	117
Liggett and Myers	B.205
Lorillard Co	offered.180
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	10⅜
Missouri Pacific	10⅜
Mexican Petroleum	72½
New York Central	84¼
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	49
Norfolk and Western	99⅛
Northern Pacific	102¾
Pennsylvania	105⅛
Reading	143¾
Rep. Iron and Steel	20
Rep. Iron and Steel, pfd	offered. 75
Rock Island Co	B. ⅝
Rock Island Co., pfd	1¼
St. L. and San Fran., 2nd pfd	3¼
Seaboard Air Line	B. 13
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	B. 37
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	B. 25
Southern Pacific	84½
Southern Railway	15⅝
Southern Railway, pfd	50
Tennessee Copper	30
Texas Co	131½
Texas and Pacific	12¾
Union Pacific	119⅝
United States Steel	43⅜
United States Steel, pfd	104¼
Utah Copper	52⅝
Virginia-Caro. Chem	B. 27½
Western Union	64
Bethlehem Steel	55⅞

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Feb. 15. — Raw sugar, nominal; molasses sugar, 3.74; centrifugal, 4.51; refined, easy.

Butter—Weak.

Cheese—Firm.

Coffee—Spot, irregular; Rio, No. 7, 7¾; Santos, No. 4, 9¾.

CHICAGO CATTLE MARKET.

Chicago, Feb. 15. — Hogs, lower; bulks, 6.70@6.80; light, 6.60@6.90; mixed, 6.55@6.85; heavy, 6.45@6.80; rough, 6.45@6.55; pigs, 5.50@6.85.

Cattle—Weak. Native steers, 5.35@5.50; cows and heifers, 3.20@7.65; calves, 7.00@10.25.

Sheep — Firm. Sheep, 6.25@7.10; yearlings, 7.35@7.85; lambs, 7.15@8.65.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, Feb. 15. — Mercantile paper, 3½@4 per cent. Sterling exchange, weak; sixty day bills, 47950; for cables, 4.8135; for demand, 4.81.

Bar silver, 48½. Mexican dollars, 37¾. Government bonds, firm. Railroad bonds, heavy. Time loans, steady. Sixty days, 2½@2¾; ninety days, 2¾@3; six months, 3¼@3½.

Call money, steady; ruling rate, 2.

TO INVESTIGATE OFFER MADE BY SALISBURY

Legislative Committee Goes to See Property for School for Blind.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 15.—The special legislative committee to investigate the proposition that Salisbury is making to induce the State to move the State School for the Blind from Raleigh to Salyisbury, has gone to Salisbury to investigate the offer. This is to give the State the old Military School property which includes forty acres of land and a three-story brick building under roof but unfinished and having a lona of $15,000 on it that the State would have to pay off. They also obligate to sell the State as much adjacent additional land as may be needed at $100 per acre.

This is over against the proposition for the school to remain in Raleigh and be moved from the present city square to lands that were purchased for the purpose two years ago at about $400 per acre and situated between the Central State hospital and the State-prison. In either event the State would sell the Raleigh properties owned for the State Blind School purposes, including both the property for the white and for the colored schools.

The school management is understood to be very much opposed to the acceptance of the Salisbury proposition and believes that the institution should be retained here. The committee that has gone to Salisbury consists of Senators McNider, Muse and Morris and Representatives Wall, Carr, Carrawan and Noland. They will visit Rockingham, Richmond county a little bit later to investigate an offer made there to dolante lands for the schools.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

February 16, 1915.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 59 degrees; at 8 P. M., 64 degrees; maximum, 71 degrees; minimum, 57 degrees; mean, 64 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall for the month to date, .70 inch.

State of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 a. m. Saturday 7.0 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Cloudy and cooler Tuesday; Wednesday fair.

The Port Calendar, Feb. 16, 1915.

Sun rises ..... 6:56 A. M.

Sun sets ..... 5:57 P. M.

Day's length ..... 10 hrs. 61 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	11:30	11:49	6:33	6:51
Southport	9:27	9:48	3:20	3:44
Masonboro Inl	9:16	9:37	3:00	3:24

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

February 15, 1915.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest today.	Temperature Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P. M.
Abilene	clear	60	38	.0
Asheville	pt cldy	50	48	.28
Atlanta	clear	54	52	.94
Augusta	rain	64	56	.16
Birmingh.	clear	60	48	.0
Boston	cldy	56	36	.08
Charleston	cldy	74	56	.0
Charlotte	rain	58	54	.30
Chicago	cldy	34	32	.0
Galveston	pt cldy	62	54	.0
Jacksonv.	cldy	—	60	.0
Memphis	clear	54	42	.0
Mobile	pt cldy	62	54	.04
Montgom'y	clear	60	52	1.14
New Orl	clear	66	56	.04
New York	rain	60	42	.26
Oklahoma	clear	52	30	.0
Palestine	clear	62	44	.0
Pittsburg	cldy	50	40	.12
Raleigh	rain	70	52	.22
Savannah	cldy	72	56	.0
Shreveport	—	—	44	—
St Louis	cldy	40	34	.0
Washing'n	rain	64	46	.40

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Dated this February 1, 1915.

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Lv. Durham	7:00a.m.	5:30p.m.
Lv. Lynchburg	2:45p.m.	2:30a.m.
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20a.m.	6:20a.m.
Ar. Columbus	6:45a.m.	7:00p.m.
Ar. Chicago	5:00p.m.	8:00a.m.
Ar. St. Louis	6:32p.m.	8:30a.m.

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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect October 12, 1914.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS.

EASTBOUND

Leave Front and Princess for Winter Park	Leave Front and Princess for Wrightsville	Leave Front and Princess for Beach
.....	.....	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.
.....	.....	.....
6:50 A.M.	6:50 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.
a2:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....
3:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.
.....	.....	.....
10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.
1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.
c1:55 P. M.	c1:55 P. M.	.....
cd2:35 P. M.	.....	.....
3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.
3:30 P. M.	.....	.....
c4:10 P. M.	.....	.....
4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.
c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....
5:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.	.....
6:10 P. M.	6:10 P. M.	.....
6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.
7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	.....
8:15 P. M.	8:15 P. M.	.....
9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.
10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P. M.	.....

WESTBOUND

Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave for for Wilmington
a6:26 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a7:31 A. M.	7:20 A. M.	.....
b7:56 A. M.	b7:45 A. M.	b7:35 A. M.
a8:01 A. M.	a7:50 A. M.	a7:40 A. M.
a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
b10:31A.M.	b10:20 A. M.	.....
11:06 A. M.	11:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
2:01 P. M.	1:50 P. M.	e1:45 P. M.
c2:36 P. M.	c2:25 P. M.	.....
cd3:06P.M.	.....	.....
c3:50 P. M.	.....	.....
4:06 P. M.	3:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.
c4:30 P. M.	.....	.....
c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
5:36 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	5:15 P. M.
6:11 P. M.	6:00 P. M.	.....
6:51 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	.....
7:32 P. M.	7:22 P. M.	e7:15 P. M.
8:06 P. M.	7:55 P. M.	.....
8:56 P. M.	8:45 P. M.	.....
10:21 P. M.	10:10 P. M.	10:00 P. M.
10:56 P. M.	10:45 P. M.	.....
11:56 P. M.	11:45 P. M.	.....

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No. 51. *8:25 A.M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50. *12:45 A.M.
No. 64. ‡ 5:50 A.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and intermediate stations.	No. 63. ‡ 6:15 P.M.
No. 48. 7:40 A.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49. * 6:05 P.M.
No. 53. * 8:45 A.M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. * 5:05 P.M.
No. 62. * 3:25 P.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and intermediate stations.	No. 63. *12:50 P.M.
No. 55. * 5:45 P.M.	Chadbourn, Florence, Augusta, Atlanta and the West, Charleston, Savannah and all Florida Points. Columbia, Asheville and the West. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta, and between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. *12:30 P.M.
No. 59. ‡ 6:30 P.M.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60. ‡10:15 A.M.
No. 42. * 6:45 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars, between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. * 9:45 A.M.

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(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 15.—Secretary of the Treasury William Gibbs McAdoo will deliver the commencement address at the University of North Carolina on June 2. The Secretary will be accompanied by Mrs. McAdoo and Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Daniels. Mr. McAdoo accepted the invitation to visit the State University at the earnest request of Secretary Daniels.

From Chapel Hill the distinguished visitors will go to Raleigh where they will be entertained by Mrs. Daniels. Mrs. McAdoo, nee Eleanor Wilson, daughter of the President, is well known in Raleigh. For several years she was a student at St. Mary's College and has many friends in the State's capital.

Overman on Cloture.

Senator Overman announced today that he would vote against the Norris resolution which would place a permanent cloture on the Senate. The junior Tar Heel senator will oppose a change of the Senate's rules because, he says, the present rules have been the South's only salvation.

"Had it not been for the present rules," said Mr. Overman, "the force bill would have been imposed upon the South. Right now the Republicans are trying to cut down the South's representation in Congress and if these rules are changed there would be nothing to stop them the first time the Republicans get control of Congress."

Senator Simmons said he thought he would vote for the Norris resolution.

Hurrying for Gatling.

The Postoffice Department is making a special effort to have Bart M. Gatling installed as postmaster at Raleigh at the close of business Tuesday night. Should the President and the Postmaster General find time to sign Gatling's commission tomorrow, the Department will wire Gatling authority to take charge. P. R. A.

EARTH SHOCKS IN ITALY

In Parts Visited by Seismic Disturbance Several Week Ago.

Rome, Feb. 15.—Renewed earth shocks occurred today in parts of Central visited by seismic disturbances several weeks ago.

One person was killed and six injured in the collopse of a house at Nazahano.

At Rocca Sinibaldi the belfry of the convent of Santa Baria fell upon several houses burying ten persons.

Cittaducale was wrecked and at Vercliz several houses were rendered uninhabitable.

CHANGES IN BAILEY'S OFFICE.

Son of the Late Governor Aycock Given a Place at Raleigh.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 15.—Announcement is issued by Collector of Internal Revenue J. V. Bailey that he has appointed Connor Aycock, son of the late Chas. B. Aycock, as an office deputw collector in place of Lee C. Ashecraft, transferred to a new desk that will have charge of the division of "anti-narcotics" under the new Federal act effective March 1. Both places pay $1,200 per year.

WILMINGTON CHARTER BILLS NOW PENDING

One Introduced by Stacy; Another by Cooper, Yesterday.

Stacy Will Introduce Managerial Mill Today—Recalls $100,000 Bond Bill and Will Have It Amended. Other Local Measures.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 15.—Representative Stacy will tomorrow introduce the bill providing a new managerial government system for Wilmington with referendum to the people of the city. Mr. Stacy introduced today a bill to amend the charter of Wilmington that retains Point Peter within the corporate limits and names W. D. McCaig as councilman from the Sixth ward until the May elections.

On the other hand Senator Cooper introduced in the Senate a bill amending the charter that leaves Point Peter out of the city limits and providing that the present council elect the councilman for the Sixth ward.

Representative Stacy recalled from the enrolling office today Senator Cooper's bill, 189, providing $100,000 bonds for the floating debt of Wilmington and will have it amended so as to specify that the bonds shall not be sold until the present outstanding notes of the city are due, or until the councilmen can induce the holders of the notes to surrender them for settlement under the bond issue. This is to prevent possibility of sale of the bonds in such way as would leave the money idle in some bank for a long period.

Bills passed the House today to prescribe times for holding courts in New Hanover and to amend the law as to the recorder's court in New Hanover.

DETAILS OF PANAMA RIOT RECEIVED AT WASHINGTON.

Twenty-Three American Soldiers and Civilians Wounded Saturday.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Details of the Panama carnival riot, in which a Panama policeman was killed and 25 persons, 23 American soldiers and civilians, were wounded Saturday, came to the department today in a report from Brig. Gen. Clarence Edwards, commanding the Canal Zone garrison.

All the wounded are expected to recover, the general said and no further trouble is expected. He explained that the Americans all unarmed, were fired on by police and a mob after individual altercation had precipitated a general row.

The soldiers were without arms of any kind, the report says. Americans, both soldiers and civilians, were fired on by the Panama police and mob with Remington rifles, with baonets fixed and with high powered cartridges and pistols. A few soldiers took small 22-calibre target rifles from a nearby shooting gallery in the tenderloin and fired a few shots. They were immediately disarmed by Lieut. Edgerly who turned them over to the police and then summoned all non-commissioned officers and with a small provost guard, locked arms and pushed all soldiers and Americans back. The police and mob moved the other way, but continued firing and throwing rocks though there were no answering shots from the unarmed Americans.

"I have forbidden soldiers during the remaining days of the carnival to visit the city of Panama. Probably all wounded soldiers will get well. Do not anticipate further trouble."

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SULPHUR DRIES UP ECZEMA

USE LIKE COLD CREAM TO STOP ITCHING

Any breaking out or irritation on the face, arms, legs or body when accompanied by itching, or when the skin is dry and feverish, can be readily overcome by applying a little bold-sulphur cream, says a noted dermatologist.

He informs us that bold-sulphur instantly allays the angry itching and irritation and soothes and heals the Eczema right up, leaving the skin clear and smooth. Bold-sulphur has occupied a secure position for many years in the treatment of cutaneous disorders because of its parasite-destroying property. Nothing has ever been found to take its place in treating the irritable and inflammatory skin affections. While not always establishing a permanent cure, it never fails to subdue the itching irritation and drive the Eczema away, and it is often years later before any eruption again appears on the skin. Those troubled should obtain at any pharmacy an ounce of bold-sulphur cream, which is applied to the affected parts in the same manner as an ordinary cold cream. It isn't unpleasant and the prompt relief afforded, particularly in itching Eczema, proves very welcome.

BARS CHILD LABOR PRODUCTS FROM INTERSTATE COMMERCE

Palmer Bill Passed by House by Overwhelming Majority.

Washington, Feb. 15.—The Palmer bill to bar products of child labor from inter-state commerce was passed by the House tonight 232 to 44, after a lively debate and the issuance of a writ of arrest for absentees to suppress a filibuster.

Opposition to the bill lead by Representative Byrnes, of South Carolina, was based on the contention that it interfered with state's rights.

The measure declares it unlawful for producers, manufacturers or dealers to ship or deliver for transportation in interstate commerce, the products of mine or quarry made wholly or in part by children under 16 years old, or products of mills, canneries, workshops, factories or manufacturing establishments made by children under 14 or those between 14 and 16 who work more than eight hours a day, or more than six days a week or after 7 o'clock at night. Inspection by the Department of Labor would be authorized and fines of from $100 to $1,000 or imprisonment from one month to a year or both imposed for violation. When Representative Palmer proposed suspension of the pass the bill several Southern members protested and started filibuster marked by repeated points of no quorum, roll calls and rulings.

BRITISH STEAMER STRIKES MINE.

The Wavelet, From Pensacola, Has a Close Call—Twelve Men Drowned.

London, Feb. 15.—The British steamer Wavelet, 1,918 tons, Captain Cole, from Pensacola, Fla., January 15, via Newport News, January 23rd, for Leith, Scotland, encountered a mine in the British channel and was badly damaged. The skipper, by prompt action succeeded in beaching his steamer near Deal. Twelve men were drowned by the capsizing of a small boat.

Among the victims was a man described as a Mr. Shepard, of the United States consular service, who was a passenger from the United States.

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THERE ARE TWO APARTMENTS IN the splendid Carolina Apartment house not rented. One has kitchen and four rooms, other is bachelor apartment of two rooms. Rent low, and includes heat, artesian water, elevators, etc. For full information, see J. G. Wright & Son, 124 Princess st. fe14-3t

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the partnership of Lamb & Pinner is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Business will be continued by the undersigned. Lamb & Dicksey, 18 So. Second. fe9-tu4t*

FOR RENT — COTTAGE 409 S. 2ND street, $15; two-story residence, 419 S. 4th street, $18. W. M. Cumming, Real Estate Agent. fe11-ex.su,m-tf

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DON'T FORGET TO MAKE YOUR LAST stop when shopping at the Delicatessen store. Our potato salad can't be beat. It goes good with most anything you eat. May Bros.' Delicatessen, 130 Market street. 'Phone 1322. fe14-1t

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN — ONE pointer puppy, three months old; white and liver spotted, with liver colored head. Reward, if returned to 706 N. Fifth street, or 'phone 241. W. E. King. fe16-1t*

D. L. T. CAPPS WISHES TO AN-nounce that his new bowling alleys are now ready for business, and special attention will be given to ladies at any and all times. fe16-tf

FOR SALE — TEN WAGONS OF ALL kinds, in good shape, two buggies and twenty sets of harness. Seven dump carts; have not been used a great deal; 35 head of horses and mules, for sale or hire. Kentucky Horse and Mule Co., Seventeenth and Dock. fe16-7t

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WANTED — WE HAVE ON HAND A nice lot of dry pine and oak wood, which we are selling at $1.00 and $1.25 per load. Call 'Phone 818. fe16-1t*

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LOST — SMALL RAT TERRIER PUP-py. Reward for return to 117 Orange street. fe16-1t*

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SEE OUR LINE OF GOOD THINGS to eat. We have snap beans, new Irish potatoes, egg plants, bell peppers, tomatoes, etc. Good native and Western fresh meats, fruits and staple groceries. Ten per cent. off on all purchases of $1 or more. Palace Market, 108 South Front street; 'Phone 72. fe16-1t

FOR RENT — FURNISHED HOUSE, seven rooms, near depot. Parties leaving town. Address P. O. Box 123. fe16-1t*

TUESDAY SPECIAL — SIX BARS OF Kirkman soap, 25 cents. Three cans tomatoes, 25c.; three cans fancy garden peas, 25c.; three cans pears, 25c.; a nice table peach, 10c. 'Phone 672. Cape Fear Cash Grocery Co., 109 So. Front street. fe16-1t

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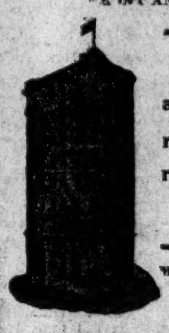

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TO PROVIDE BREAD FOR WHOLE BELGIAN PEOPLE

And All Food for One-Fifth of the Population.

The Immediate Task With Which All Relief Agencies Must Occupy Themselves, Says the Commission.

New York, Feb. 15.—All Belgian relief agencies must occupy themselves for the present with the immediate task of providing bread for the total population of Belgium and of supplying all food for one-fifth of the population, according to the second report of the relief commission sent abroad by the Rockefeller Foundation. This report, given out tonight, states also that the clothing must be supplied to certain communities, temporarily shelter must be provided for families, whose homes have been destroyed, and employment must be given, as far as possible, to the unemployed.

These measures, the commission estimates, will cost about $6,600,000 a month.

Of the total Belgian population of 7,000,000, the report states, 80 per cent can pay for their bread, but grain from which to make the bread must be purchased in foreign countries, transported into Belgium and distributed under the protection of the American government to the communes.

The remaining 20 per cent of the Belgian non-combatants, or 1,400,000 people are without resources, the report states.

"Of the 750,000 people living in Brussels 250,000 are in the 'soup' line says the commission.

"Of the 40,000 people living in Malines, 24,000 are in the 'soup' line. It estimated that one-third of the present population of Liege is dependent on the 'canteens.' The chairman of the Belgian National committee has estimated that in industrial towns about one-third of the present population is being supported by charity. In the rural communities conditions are better."

To provide the destitute with a daily allowance of bread, soup and coffee, and to supply them with clothing, shelter and medicinal attention a monthly expenditure of $3,000,000 will be required, says the report. Of this sum, the communes have undertaken to provide one-third, leaving $2,000,000 monthly to be supplied elsewhere.

JANUARY EXPORTS OF COTTON ABOVE NORMAL

Greater Than Last Year, by 300,000 Bales.

Cotton Used Less Than the Usual January Total—500,000 Fewer Spindles in Operation—Less on Hand.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Cotton exports were beyond normal proportions during January, being more than 300,000 bales greater than last year, according to the monthly report of the Cencus Bureau, issued today.

Cotton used was less than the usual January total, as 500,000 fewer spindles were operated during the month. Manufacturing establishments held less cotton January 31 than they did a year ago, but in independent warehouses, the quantity on hand was greater by 1,100,000 bales.

Exports included 585,534 bales to the United Kingdom; 217,982 bales to Italy; 99,913 bales to Germany; 70,901 bales to France, and 397,845 bales to all other countries. Total exports for the six months ending January 31 were 2,500,000 bales less than during that period last year.

Cotton used during January was 468,877 bales, exclusive of linters compared with 517,299 in January last year. Cotton used during the six months ending January 31 was 2,591,089 bales against 2,816,625 last year.

Cotton on hand January 31 in manufacturing establishments was 1,515,390 bales against 1,764,561 a year ago and in independent warehouses 4,689,956 bales against 2,839,942 a year ago.

Exports were 1,272,175 bales against 1,052,272 last year and for the six months 3,978,329 against 6,489,752 a year ago.

Imports were 39,229 bales against 19,624 last year and for the six months 139,529 against 63,523 a year ago.

Cotton spindles active numbered 30,565,479 against 31,098,178 a year ago.

Linters used 18,136 bales against 23,611 a year ago, and for the six months 156,133 bales against 157,565 last year; on hand in manufacturing estimate 120,440 bales against 87,217 a year ago, and in independent warehouses 93,573 bales against 49,923 a year ago.

Linters exported 23,486 bales and for the six months 67,981 bales.